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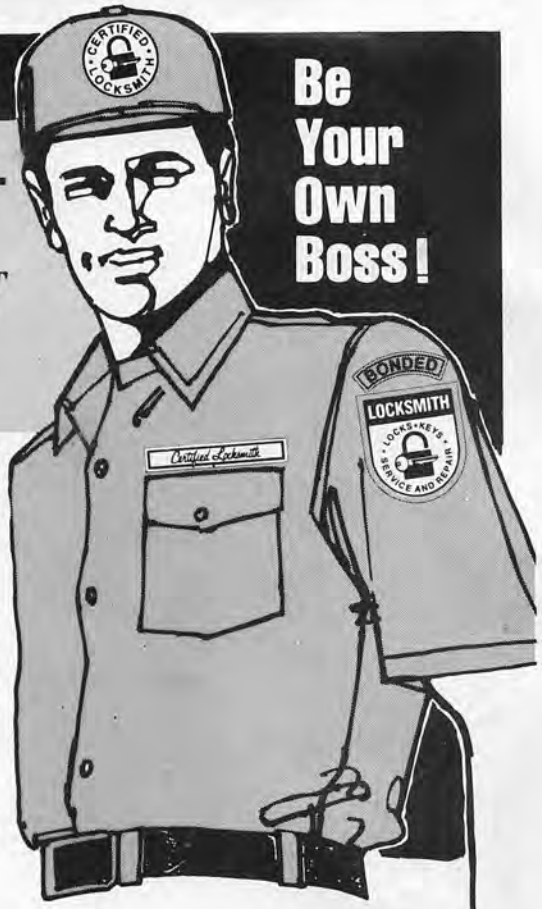

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Kendell Windham whips current Florida champion Jack Hart into the ropes during Kendell's professional debut in June. Vicki Hardin, already a big fan of Barry Windham's, was pleased to see Kendell introduced in the October 1985 issue.

ALL IN THE FAMILY

Thank you for your recent introduction of Kendell Windham (*The Wrestler,* October 1985). I've seen Kendell on the Florida program several times and in a workout with his brother Barry, and I believe that in time he will be a top competitor.

Along with keeping up with Kendell's career, I'd sure like to see a little more coverage on Barry Windham and Mike Rotundo. I've been very disappointed that *The Wrestler* has not maintained close tabs on these guys. They are once again the WWF tag team champions and deserve to be treated like champions. In this day and age of so-called professional wrestlers acting like clowns and being involved in all sorts of cheap publicity stunts, it's nice to see that at least two young men are sticking to their wrestling.

So, in your upcoming issues, I'll be looking forward to seeing more on Barry and Mike. Thank you.

VICKI HARDIN
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An open letter to Jim Brunzell and Ricky Steamboat:

The two of you are among the latest wrestlers to jump to the WWF, the joke of professional wrestling. I'm sure you both made your respective decisions in order to further your careers. However, being a fan of both of you men, I can't help but feel you've both committed a terrible mistake.

First, Jim. When you were in the AWA, you and Greg Gagne comprised "The High Flyers." When you first became a tag team, you were considered innovators in wrestling style, combining speed and agility with a fine scientific background. Such a style led you to two World tag team titles and, in a little more time, I feel that you could have defeated The Road Warriors and captured a third title. Now, Jim, you have arrived in the WWF, teaming with B. Brian Blair and calling yourselves "The Killer B's." Not only have you sacrificed your image and reputation to fit in with Vince McMahon's crass styled promotions, but you've ruined your career as well. With Barry Windham and Mike Rotundo regaining the WWF title and with the long-standing policy of the WWF never to place scientific wrestlers against each other, The Killer B's are stuck without someone to sting.

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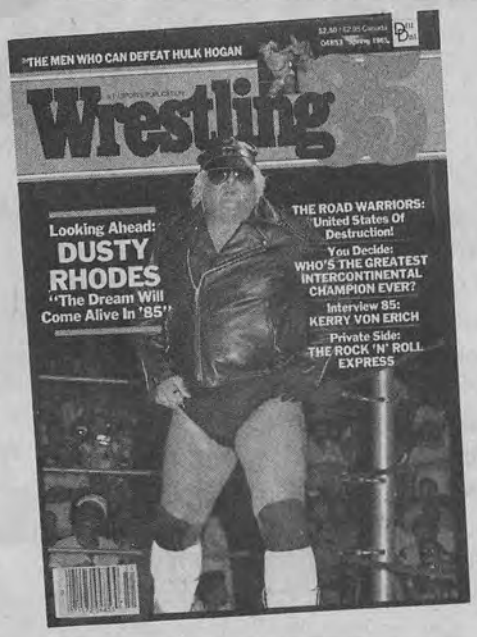

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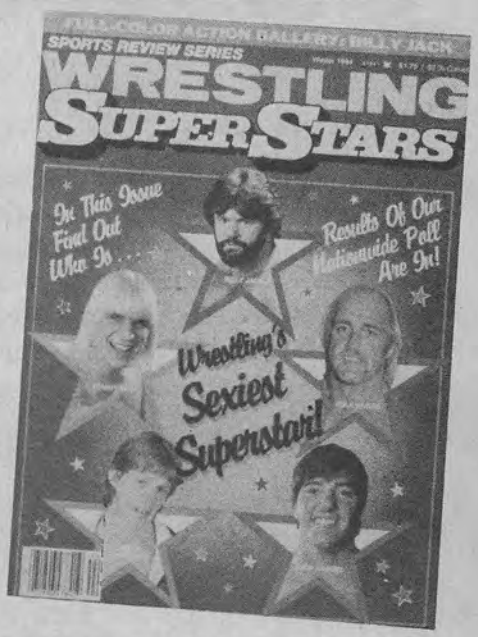

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WHAT'S HAPPENING!

By BILL APTER

FOR THE FIRST time in the history of the WWF, the World tag team champions are being managed by two different men. **Greg Valentine** and **Brutus Beefcake**, who captured the belts from

Greg Valentine applies a front facelock on Mike Rotundo. Valentine and Brutus Beefcake have won the WWF tag team title from Rotundo and Barry Windham.

Barry Windham and **Mike Rotundo** on August 24 in Philadelphia, are managed respectively in their singles careers by **Jimmy Hart** and **Johnny Valiant**. While both managers shared in the title win, I've heard a rumor that Valiant has offered Hart $250,000 for sole control of the championship team. According to my source, even if the managers make this deal, Hart would retain the services of Valentine for singles matches.

Valiant can be given the majority of credit (or blame) for the win over Windham and Rotundo. He handed Beefcake a lit cigar, which Beefcake used to rub into Windham's eye, setting Barry up for the pin by Valentine.

This marks the *second* time that Windham and Rotundo have lost the WWF tag team title as the result of outside interference by their challengers' manager. On the March 31 WrestleMania card, "The U.S. Express" had their first WWF tag team title reign cut short by **The Iron Sheik** and **Nikolai Volkoff** when Sheik attacked Windham with a cane that had been handed to him by manager **Freddie Blassie**.

"Dr. Death" Steve Williams has obtained power of attorney on behalf of of his Mid-South tag team championship partner **Ted DiBiase** following DiBiase's departure from the Mid-South area for an extensive tour of Japan. Power of attorney means that Williams now has the right to choose another partner to replace DiBiase—and he doesn't need to obtain the approval of Mid-South commissioners.

"It's about time that I've been on the receiving end of some good sense here in Mid-South," Williams told *The Wrestler.* "I knew that Ted was going to Japan, and I didn't want us to have to vacate the championship because of non-defense of the title. Negotiations gave me power of attorney, and I've chosen a new partner to help me defend the belts."

Williams' choice as a replacement for DiBiase: **Bruiser Bob Sweetan**.

Coincidentally, DiBiase's tour of Japan comes about as the result of being the partner of choice of another man who needs someone to help defend a tag team title. DiBiase will be teaming up with **Stan Hansen** in defense of the PWF (Pacific Wrestling Federation) tag team championship. Until recently, Hansen held that title with partner **Bruiser Brody**.

Rick Steamboat is recovering swiftly from an eye injury inflicted by **Magnificent Muraco's** manager, **Mr. Fuji** *(see page 30)* . . . For the first time in 14 years, wrestling matches were held in Alaska—courtesy of the AWA. Stars such as **Nick Bockwinkel**, **Sgt. Slaughter**, **Larry Zbyszko**, and **The Fabulous Freebirds** appeared, and we un-

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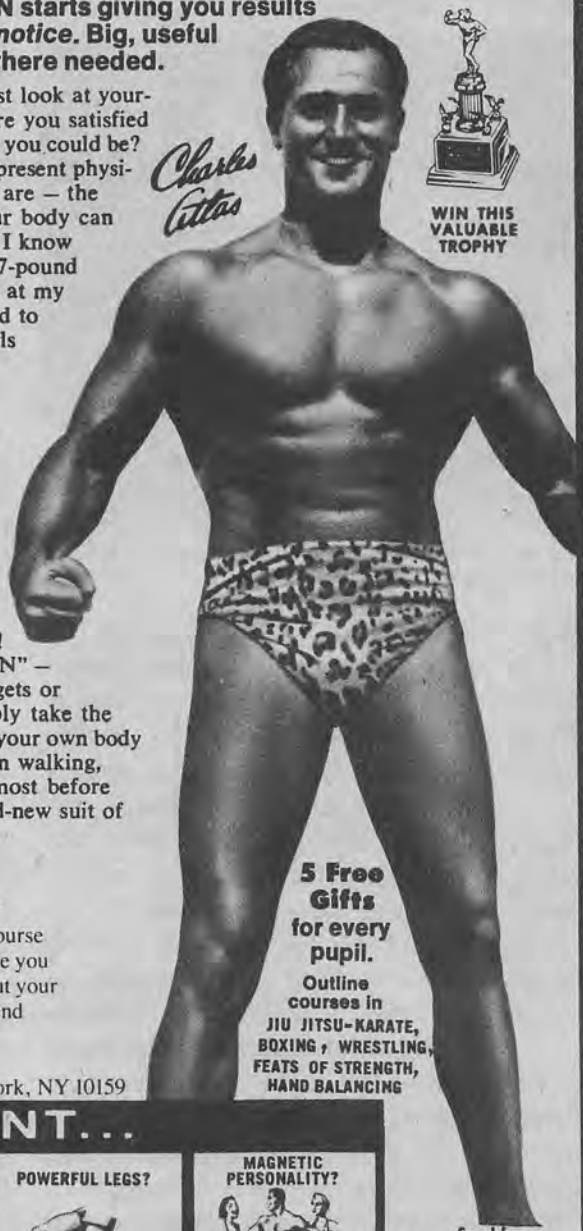

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San Juan, PR *(Correspondent—* Javier Fernandez): The wild Kiwi Sheepherders met The Masked Invaders in a four-man Dog Collar match at Juan Ramon Laubriel Stadium.

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The first break in the action occurred early on when The Sheepherders knocked Invader I out of the ring and double-teamed Invader III. The ferocious tandem from New Zealand wrapped their chains around the Invader's head and pummeled him relentlessly. The crowd watched transfixed in horror as blood flowed from beneath the Invader's mask.

Invader I climbed back into the ring and tried to aid his stricken partner, but The Sheepherders viciously attacked him, too. Finally, The Invaders mounted a serious attack together, and with the chains sent The Sheepherders reeling and bleeding. Their advantage was short lived though, as Butch Miller hit Invader III with the chain, sending him sprawling to the mat. Crazy Luke Williams added a kneedrop for good measure and The Sheepherders scored the pin.

In other bouts: Carlos Colon beat Dory Funk Jr. . . . Austin Idol defeated Hercules Hernandez by disqualification . . . The Super Medic bested Eric Embry . . . Jesse Barr defeated Ricky Fujuki . . . Sweet Brown Sugar beat Dan Greer . . . Chicky Starr destroyed The Destroyer.

Scranton, PA *(Correspondent—* Claire Roma): The Catholic Youth Center seemed like an unlikely sight for a match between two wildmen, The Iron Sheik and George "The Animal" Steele.

The Iron Sheik attacked Steele while The Animal was removing his shirt. Steele managed to get the shirt off and started to choke Sheik with it. Steele then threw Sheik out of the ring and quickly pounced on his former tag team partner and started to pummel him against the ring apron. Steele jumped back into the ring as the referee began to count the shaken Sheik out. Steele, not content with a moment of inactivity, chewed apart the turnbuckle and spat the stuffings at the referee, interrupting the count.

The Sheik recovered and re-entered the ring with a chair, which he promptly deposited on Steele's bald skull. Steele looked at The Iron Sheik as if to say, "Whaddya, kiddin'?" and grabbed the seat from the Iranian madman and smashed him over the head.

Both men fought their way out of the ring again, where they exchanged everything but phone numbers. Just as they were reaching for the soda vendor, the referee, in his first official act of the evening, called for the bell and declared the match a double-disqualification.

In other bouts: Barry Windham

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Q: "This question is for Iceman Parsons: Since returning to the World Class area, you've won the TV belt from Killer Brooks and the American belt from Chris Adams. Did the injury to your friend Mike Von Erich light some extra fire in you, because you sure seem more determined than you've ever been?"—Jim Gentry, Temple, TX

A: **"It's hard to say what's the cause of my recent success," Iceman answered. "I haven't been really doing anything differently than in the past. One thing is that I have a lot of confidence. Success breeds success. I'm not hesitant anymore and I'm willing to take a chance in the ring. I felt real bad about Mike getting hurt, but that's part of the game. He's got that Von Erich blood in him so we know that he'll be back in action real soon. As for me, I'm just gonna let this momentum take me as far as it can. And the way I'm going that might be all the way to the NWA title."**

(Editor's note: Parsons was forced to vacate his TV belt because of his frequent trips to the Middle East).

Iceman Parsons, who is now enjoying his most successful year ever, signs autographs for his fans. The Iceman is "Spotlighted" on page 28.

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Q: "My question is for Ric Flair: Other than yourself, who would you consider as a tag team partner?"—Brian Kean, Chincateague, VA

A: **The NWA champ replied, "I've gone on record many times saying that I consider tag team wrestling to be beneath me. Since I don't believe that anyone can wrestle up to my level for any consistent period of time, it would really be stupid for me to trust someone with my health and welfare. But I realize these are hypothetical situations here so I will play along. I suppose, as long as we are dealing in fantasies, my ideal tag team partner would be my biggest enemy and toughest rival, Nikita Koloff. Where I have experience and technique, Nikita has raw power and brute strength. Of course, I hate the sonofabitch and would never be around him unless it was for the reason of kicking his Soviet fanny back to Moscow. But we're talking fantasy, right?"**

Speaking strictly in hypothetical terms, Ric Flair says that he would choose Nikita Koloff as a tag team partner. Flair and Koloff are currently involved in a brutal series of title matches.

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Q: "My question is for the greatest wrestler ever, Gentleman Chris Adams: After you spill every drop of blood from those idiotic Von Erich fools, would you and Gino Hernandez ever consider appearing in the WWF? You two would own the tag team belts inside of a week."—Tom Lisak, Pittsburgh

A: **Chris Adams answered, "I would like to eventually wrestle in every part of the country, but right now I'm contractually obligated here in the World Class. Plus,**

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Thumbs Up

Each issue, *The Wrestler* will praise the noteworthy and damn those who violate the honor of wrestling. The praiseworthy receive a Thumbs Up, the disgraceful are marked with a Thumbs Down. Here is this month's roll of honor and shame.

Thumbs up to Crusher Blackwell: Blackwell has exhibited remarkable courage in the AWA over the past year. Since he and Ken Patera lost the AWA tag team title, Blackwell has carried on a lonely and painful crusade against AWA rule-breakers. He has been hospitalized on several occasions with nary an ostensible fan favorite to support him in his war. Most recently, The Freebirds sent him to the emergency room with vertebraic damage following a triple piledriver onto three concrete chairs. In lieu of a get well card, we send Crusher a "Thumbs Up" and support him wholeheartedly in his crusade.

Thumbs up to Wahoo McDaniel: Cynics pestered Billy Jack Haynes about his partner's reputation after he teamed up with Wahoo in pursuit of the U.S. tag team title. Fortunately, Wahoo's rulebreaking stint in the Mid-Atlantic seems to have been a means to an end: that end being a succession of matches for Ric Flair's NWA World championship. Wahoo has proved to be as honorable a teamster as he had been with The Crusher, Mark Youngblood, and numerous other tag team partners in the past. Hopefully, Wahoo's experience will also lend Haynes' career some stability and added ring savvy.

Thumbs Up to Randy Savage: As the most sought-after entrant in the WWF title sweepstakes, Savage could literally pick and choose his own manager. The fact that he chose an unknown, Miss Elizabeth, indicates that Savage will retain the same independence (in technique, strategy, and career direction) that he has previously shown. We commend Savage for passing up the big bucks and realizing that a tried 'n' true veteran doesn't *need* a manager, except to handle bookings and other monotonies of the business. However, it remains to be seen whether Miss Elizabeth will turn out to be as obnoxious as a Precious or a Baby Doll, or prove to be a conscientious manager.

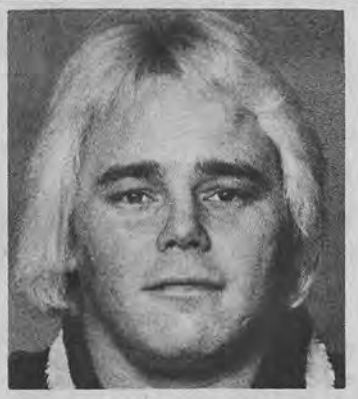
Thumbs Up to Dick Murdoch: Fans who had been appalled by Murdoch's reign of terror with Adrian Adonis in the WWF are now pleased by his fan favorite status in the Mid-South. More important, however, Murdoch has resuscitated his career by devoting himself to singles matches and returning to the scientific fold. His victory over The Nightmare for the North American title primes him as an early candidate for an unofficial "Comeback of the Year" award. Murdoch has proved that he is *not* approaching the end of a long and distinguished career.

Thumbs Down

Thumbs Down to Bruiser Brody: One of the most notorious bloodthirsty maniacs in the sport is currently receiving cheers from fans in the World Class area for his alliance with the Von Erichs. World Class fans should be reminded of the fact that Mr. Brody habitually turns on his allies. (In fact, not long before he teamed with the Von Erichs, he Pearl Harbored Jerry Lawler immediately after a victorious tag team match.) Bruiser Brody is a mercenary, pure and simple. If the Von Erichs are also subsidizing his random sadism, they are equally subject to a vigorous "Thumbs Down."

Thumbs Down to J.J. Dillon: Last year, the self-proclaimed "Manager of Champions" burned through the Mid-Atlantic region with the contracts of the Mid-Atlantic champion (Ron Bass) and the area tag team champs (Bass and Black Bart). Today, Dillon's stable is a shambles. Both Bass and Bart have left him, and he is stuck with a Ric Flair impersonator (Buddy Landell) and an untested tag team (The Rising Suns). Dillon has taken to initiating brutal attacks on his former charge Bass, including hanging him from ringposts in the firm hope of snapping his long Texan neck. We abhor Dillon's use of Bass as a scapegoat for his own feelings of inadequacy as a manager.

Thumbs Down to Jimmy Hart: Currently, this man has by far the strongest stable in the WWF. Unfortunately, he has flushed his signatories straight down the toilet. King Kong Bundy is wasting time on a feud with Andre the Giant; he should be wrestling Mr. Hogan. Hart cannot seem to engage Barry Windham and Mike Rotundo in a title with the Hart Foundation—Bret Hart and Jim Neidhardt—a brilliant team. Finally, Hart's man Terry Funk is going nowhere in the WWF, even though he is arguably the best wrestler in the federation. We accuse Jimmy Hart of mismanagement, and we're reasonably sure that his wrestlers will follow suit in the months to come.



Thumbs Down to Playboy Buddy Rose: Mr. Rose was the epitome of sincerity when he tried to convince fans and journalists alike that he had turned over a new oak leaf in the Pacific Northwest two years ago. He resurfaced as a rulebreaker in that turbulent region, and then doubled his treachery by terrorizing Florida with his uniquely insidious melange of fast science and brawling. Buddy Rose pleaded desperately to the fans to forgive him for his actions, and he has justified their initial skepticism. Rose cried wolf, and that makes it increasingly difficult for rulebreakers with an honest change of heart to win the fans' approval. □

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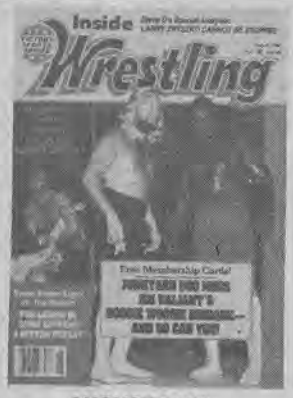

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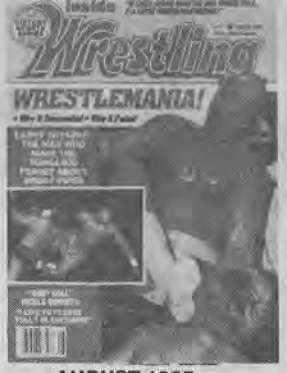

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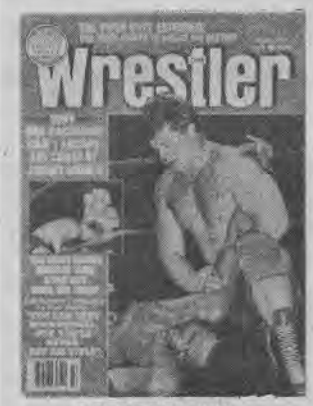

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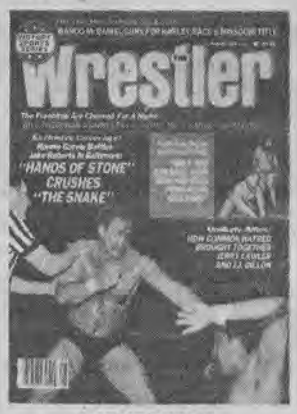

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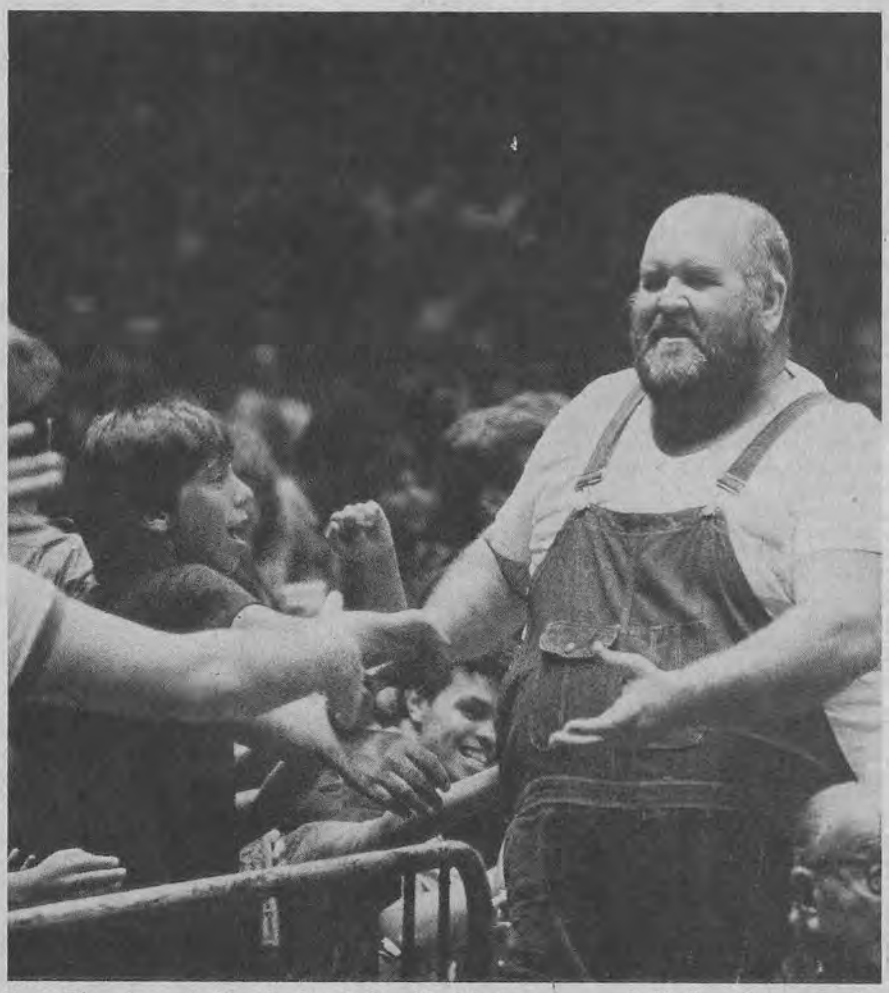
INTRODUCING UNCLE ELMER

Fans cheer wildly as Uncle Elmer dosey-dos to down-home banjo music with Hillbilly Jim in the center of the ring. Contrary to many fans' opinions, though, Elmer is no newcomer to the sport of wrestling



Uncle Elmer is greeted by the fans before his debut appearance in Madison Square Garden. The only thing new about Uncle Elmer is his name.

THE TIME HAS come to clear up the confusion surrounding an individual by the name of Uncle Elmer.

What kind of confusion? The confusion that results from adopting repeated aliases and varied wrestling styles over the past 10 years. People want to know who Uncle Elmer is—and we begin to wonder whether Elmer *himself* really knows who he is!

It's hardly foreign to wrestling that an individual would change his name at some point in his career: Krusher Khrushchev was once known as Krusher Darsow, Magnum T.A. was once known as Terry Allen, and a fellow by the name of Hulk Hogan was once known as Terry Boulder.

The phenomenon is by no means unique to wrestling: rock 'n' roller John Mellencamp recently discarded the name John Cougar, Boris Karloff was born William Henry Pratt, and Woody Allen's real name is Allen Stewart Konigsberg.

But when an individual changes names repeatedly over the course of just a few years, one has to wonder why.

Far be it from us to attempt to analyze the reasons behind Uncle Elmer's various aliases. But we *can* trace the lineage back to 1974 and an unspecified plot of farmland somewhere between Tennessee and Florida.

Jerry Lawler, then a rulebreaker, and his manager, Sam Bass, were driving from Memphis to Florida during a wrestling tour of the Southeast. The road was familiar; they had both been here before. Dozens, if not hundreds, of farms provided the motonous scenery for their 800-mile trip.

Soon, Lawler and Bass were driving on instinct. Their attention turned from the road to the farms on the side of the road. They began passing the time by noting

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Elmer began his career about 10 years ago wrestling under the name Plowboy Frazier. He has since been Kamala II, The Lone Ranger, Playboy Frazier, and, finally, Uncle Elmer.

how various farm animals reminded them of friends and fellow wrestlers. Laughter always makes a long drive pass that much more quickly.

In Mississippi, though, one farm animal, however, really *did* look more like a man than an animal. In fact, it *was* a man: A 400-pound-plus behemoth plowing the fields, though instead of guiding the plow pulled by a mule, this man was taking the place of the mule, pulling the plow that was being guided by his father!

Amazed by the sight, Lawler and Bass stopped the car and Bass signed him to a managerial contract on the spot. Dazzled by dreams of riches and worldwide fame in professional wrestling, the giant climbed into the car with Bass and Lawler and traveled to Florida. A few days later, Plowboy Frazier made his professional wrestling debut in a tag team match with Jerry Lawler.

For the next few years, Frazier continued to team with Lawler. Bass, who clearly took advantage of Frazier, maximized his profit by not paying Frazier any money. Instead, Plowboy was paid off with fake Rolex watches and cheap jewelry and trinkets.

When Jerry Jarrett, who was then at odds with Lawler and Bass, pointed this out to Frazier and the Mid-Southern fans, Frazier turned on Lawler and Bass and became a fan favorite.

In the months to follow, Frazier would referee several matches in the Mid-Southern area as well as feud with Lawler and Bass. But it didn't take long for another manager to take advantage of the big man: Jimmy Hart took on Frazier's contract, forced the man to wear war paint on his face and body, and dubbed him "Kamala II."

When "Kamala II" failed to make an impression on the Mid-Southern scene, Frazier changed aliases again. He donned a mask and wrestled as "The Lone Ranger." When that failed to bring him the notoriety he desired, Frazier started wearing a tuxedo and gaudy jewelry and called himself "Playboy Frazier."

No matter what the name or the approach to the sport, Frazier/Kamala II/Ranger/Playboy couldn't achieve the success he desired.

So when the call came from Hillbilly Jim to join him in the WWF, the big man from Philadelphia, Mississippi, came to the WWF and was introduced as Uncle Elmer.

It's unusual that *The Wrestler* will feature a 10-year veteran in the "Introducing" section—but then Uncle Elmer is a most unusual individual. And after all, Uncle Elmer *is* a newcomer to wrestling—it's Plowboy Frazier who's been around for 10 years! □

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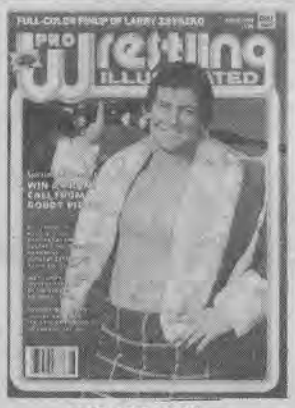

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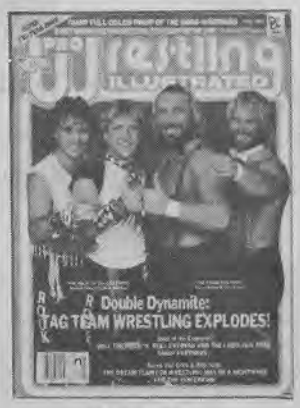

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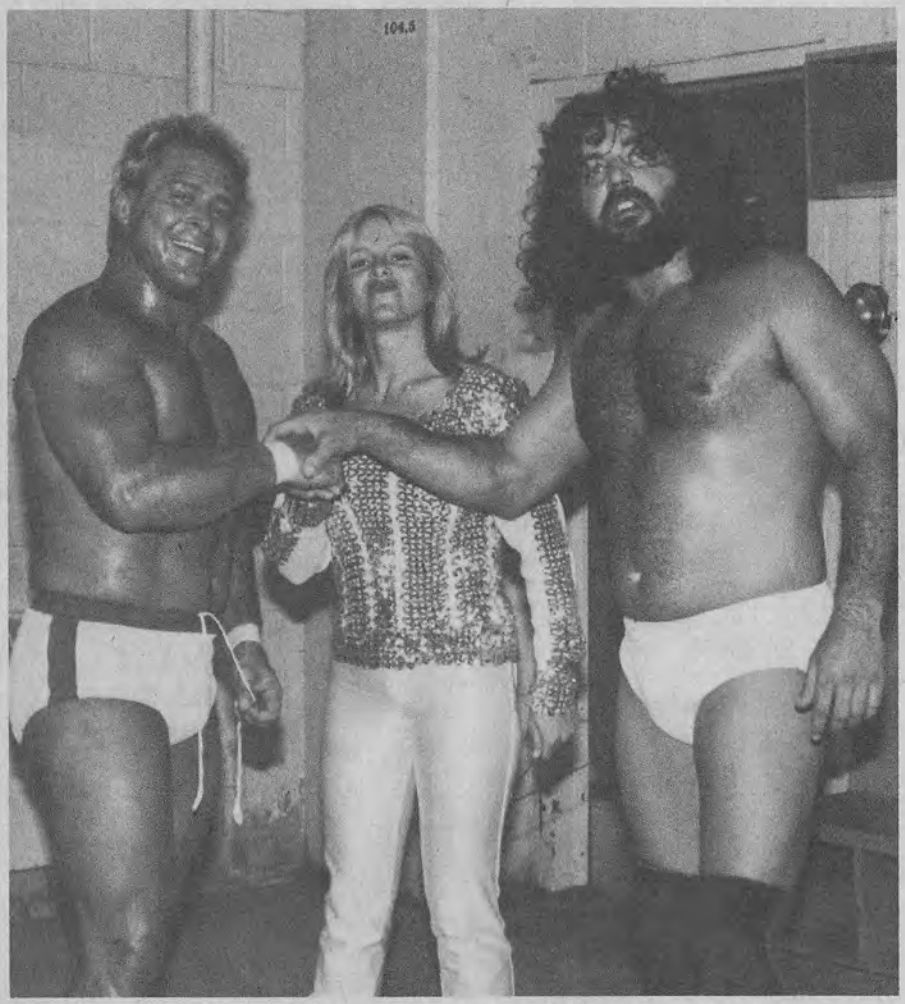


Ronnie Garvin, Precious, and Jim Garvin pledge allegiance to each other before the Garvins' reunion match in Montreal.

Q: Jim, when you learned that your brother was in Montreal looking for you, what was your reaction?

A: **Actually, Ronnie called me from a pay phone on Highway 87 and told me he was on his way to Montreal. He said he had some things to straighten out.**

Q: What did you say?

A: **Hell, I hadn't seen him in a while. I asked him if he had a drinking problem or something. I figured he must have one if he's calling me up.**

Q: And?

A: **He didn't really say anything on the phone. Just that he'd be in town soon.**

Q: And how often does he usually drop into your town.

A: **Oh, a little less than never. Last time I saw him was about two years ago. We ain't exactly Heckle and Jeckle. After I hung up the phone, I turned to Precious and said, "Honey, somethin' is goin' down. Big brother is rolling into town with dual chips on his shoulders." I was thinking of packing my bags and heading for Greenland.**

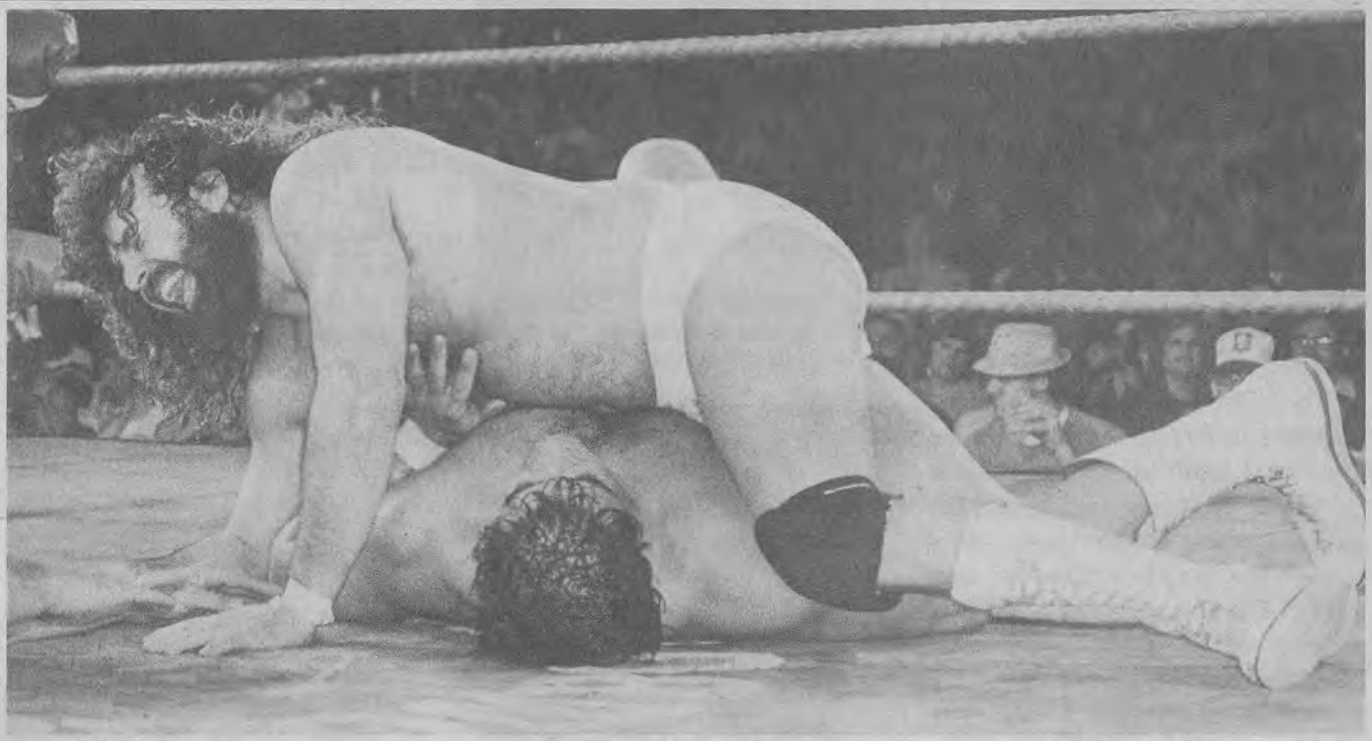
Q: It was that bad between you two?

A: **Bad? Bad! You don't want to know from bad. We made Cain and Abel look like Franklin and Eleanor. We get along best when there's a whole lotta map in between us, if you know what I mean.**

JIM GARVIN

GORGEOUS JIM GARVIN recently returned from Canada where he and his brother Ronnie reconciled after years of hostile estrangement. The two reunited for a victorious series of matches against Dino Bravo and Gino Brito Jr. at The Forum in Montreal. *The Wrestler* sent Assistant Editor Eddie Ellner up to Montreal to find out if the reconciliation was merely temporary or if the wrestling world should look for the Garvins to return as a team on a full-time basis, now that Gorgeous Jim is making the United States his home again.

If the reunion were permanent, as Gorgeous Jim had initially announced, we would have been been able to look forward to the Garvins wrestling The Road Warriors and The Rock 'n' Roll Express. But after long discussions between the two brothers, it has been decided that Jim will return to the AWA and Ronnie would resume his career in the World Championship area. As Gorgeous Jim so Garvinesquely said, "It ain't my fault that me and Ronnie don't see the same 20-20."



During his last stint in the AWA, Gorgeous Jim goes for a pin against Rick Martel. Garvin is back in the AWA and quickly working his way back up the ratings.

Q: It sounds as if the man who fights for world championships is scared to death of his own flesh and blood.

A: **Yo, Edward, I ain't scared of no man, including my brother. It's true that when we were growing up, Ronnie's fist and myself were on a first name basis and yeah, y'know, when there was good stuff on the tube it was always Ronnie who got to sit in the big recliner, and, uh, I remember once Ronnie taking a new pair of my boxing gloves and cutting them up real small, into pieces you could hardly see, but I wouldn't say uh, no way that, uh, what did you ask me again?**

Q: It wasn't important, Jimmy. Tell us what happened when after two years you and Ronnie shook hands.

A: **We didn't shake hands. When Ronnie buzzed us from downstairs, both Precious and I were running around the room half-crazy. Precious has never even met the guy. She just knows him from the phone calls and from my stories. She was nervous as a new bride. The last time I spoke to Ronnie was about a year ago and I ended up with a dial tone after five minutes. Then I started thinking. I said, wait a second, Jimbo. You got no reason to be nervous. This guy is coming to you. This is your territory. This is your home. Let him make the first move, then you can respond.**

Q: But, in fact, Montreal is home to neither of the Garvin boys. This was as neutral, and maybe appropriate a place for a reunion as could be.

A: **The first thing Ronnie does after he puts down his bags is walk around**

Precious taunts Martel as Garvin shows off the belt he feels is rightly his. Garvin has walked off with the AWA belt several times, only to be forced to return it later on.

the room, looking out the window, telling us how much he admires the view. I introduce him to Precious and he shakes her hand, pumps her hand, telling her how pretty she is and how long he's wanted to meet her. The guy, my brother, was . . .

Q: Nervous?

A: **More nervous than I was. We walked around the hotel like three 12 year olds in a cathouse until finally I say, "Whoa, Ronnie Garvin. I want to know right now why the hell you are here. What do you want with us?" And then he sat down and told me.**

Q: Well?

A: **He said he had been sitting in his home in Georgia after Black Bart had beaten him for the National title in a loser-leave-town match. Y'know, guys like my brother get all bent out of shape if they drop a match. They feel as if they let down the entire free world. Ronnie especially is so sensitive to his goddamn fans.**

Q: I don't know the last time you've seen him wrestle, but if you saw him lately you'd understand the importance of fan support to his wrestling style. I'm not crazy about guys who wimp out just to hear the fans cheer, but with Ronnie Garvin it was different. There's a mutual respect between him and the crowd.

A: **Yeah, well that's just what I'm talking about here. His relationship, this moral obligation to people he's never met before, has got him all depressed. Black Bart almost kills him and he's worried about letting down some drunken slob in the 15th row. But my brother is a Garvin and he's not stupid. He's sitting at home, all depressed, when he spots some old family picture albums and starts thumbing through them. My brother is a tough sonofabitch but he's also sentimental. He told me that right then he realized what's important in life. He said you can replace a belt, but you can't replace family once you lose them. He said that while we're still young he wants things to be right between us.**

When Garvin struts, Precious smiles, and the fans boo. After reconciling with his brother Ronnie, Jim feels better than ever about himself and his career.

Q: I'm going to cry.

A: To tell you the truth, it did get pretty sappy, but not right away.

Q: What happened?

A: I got pissed off. For two years I tried patching things up with this guy but he wouldn't hear about it. He had too much respect for the sport to associate with me. He thought having a valet was in bad taste. The hell with him, I said. I wasn't going to make up just because he's feeling guilty about losing his title. But then Precious takes me in the other room and we talk for a while and I realize that this is what I want also. I came out and the scene turned into one of them Hallmark cards.

Q: And Ronnie agreed to wrestle alongside you, in effect saying, to hell with the fans.

A: Well, I wouldn't go that far. We wrestled Brittle and Bratto, or whatever the hell their names are, and we kicked their fannies from one end of the ring to the other, and Ronnie sure as hell didn't hear cheers that night, but we patched things up in our personal lives. Professionally speaking, we're still on pretty opposite ends of the world. Which is fine.

Q: So the reunion of Gorgeous Jim and Ronnie Garvin won't be playing in your local neighborhood?

A: No. It was pretty much a one shot deal, which worked out perfectly for all of us.

Q: And what about you, Jimmy? You're back in the AWA.

A: Yeah, yeah, the party's over. It's time to get my knees dirty again, only this time I got a whole new strategy waiting for that Canadian lummox, Martel. There will be no controversy after I beat Martel again for the title. It will be mine, free and clear.

Q: Care to drop any hints?

A: No, but like I've said before, be watching with three eyes open, because when it goes down it's going to happen fast. And it won't be my fault if you miss it.

Q: Thank you, Jim Garvin, and good luck. □

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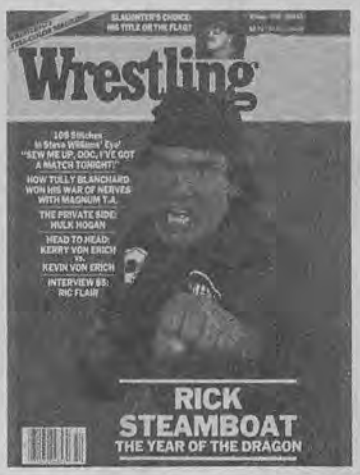

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DAVID SHULTZ

Each month THE WRESTLER'S panel of experts will offer their candid opinions of one of wrestling's stars. Whether an up-and- coming youngster or an established superstar in his own right, our panel will always be frank and honest without fear of reprisal

Even though he does not hold a wrestling title, and hasn't for some time, "Dr. D" David Shultz could well be the most feared man in professional wrestling. In spite of his intimidating presence, there are many people who feel that Shultz will not reach his full potential until he learns to control himself in and out of the ring.

BRUNO SAMMARTINO
"Y'know, this David Shultz is one of the most intense wrestlers I have ever seen in my career. You better not enter that ring if you're not prepared to battle, because this Shultz can eat a man alive. But I think that's his undoing in the end. He has no strategy other than to go in the ring and brawl. This leaves him vulnerable to attack from anyone the least bit skilled scientifically. But there's no taking away his toughness, no sir."

Bruno Sammartino is known as wrestling's "Living Legend." He is the most popular wrestler to ever hold the WWF title.

KILLER KOWALSKI
"Shultz is my man. I mean this guy is almost as mean as I was. He'll do anything it takes to win and I respect that. He doesn't care about anyone else, doesn't try to please the whole world, he just goes out to kick butt. And I've seen few men kick butt meaner and harder than David Shultz. If my back was against the wall, I would like to have Shultz on my side. The man embodies what this sport of ours is all about—destruction."

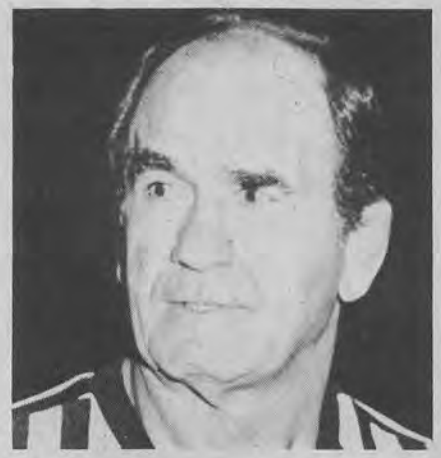
Killer Kowalski, one of the most sadistic rulebreakers in the sport's history, runs a wrestling school in Reading, Massachusetts.

GENE KINISKI
"I swear that Shultz reminds me of myself when I was first starting out. He's got a mad-on against the whole world. All he wants to do is bang some skulls and break some bones. And I love the fact that he'll take three shots to the mug just to give one. And I got news for you: You better hit him three times with a lead pipe because that one shot he'll give you is enough to knock you from Quebec to British Columbia."

Gene Kiniski is a rugged Canadian who was NWA World champion in the late 1960s.

BUDDY ROGERS
"What can you say about a man like Shultz? Certainly he's tough. He's fearless and he's brutal. He's also not very smart. He takes too much punishment. He gets himself disqualified all the time. It takes no skill at all to punch, bite, and kick. He claims to want a world championship, but I've got news for Mr. Shultz. Until he learns how to wrestle, the only belt around his waist will be the one he bought at Sears to hold up his trousers."

Buddy Rogers is the only man to hold both the NWA World title and the WWF title.



LOU THESZ
"At one point in his career Shultz made the decision to ignore wrestling policy, ignore counsel from veterans, and ignore the steps every wrestler—no matter how skilled—must take to ensure success. I give Shultz credit for doing it on his own. It takes guts to close the doors on everyone who might help you. But this was Shultz's decision. By alienating the wrestling community, he thinks he is a maverick, but he's really an outlaw. He's tough, but I question his choices."

Lou Thesz held the NWA World title six times during his fabulous 50-year career. Many consider him the greatest all-round wrestler in history.

VERNE GAGNE
"I have to disagree about all this talk about Shultz not being able to wrestle. I've watched the guy for years and I know he has wrestling skills, except he prefers not to use them. Like all rulebreakers he thinks that brawling is the way to go. And like all rulebreakers, he is very wrong. Technical proficiency saves you a lot of time and energy. You wrap someone up in a hold and weaken them quicker than if you landed a roundhouse. Perhaps one day Shultz will understand this."

Verne Gagne held the AWA World title a record 11 times. He was voted "Best Scientific Wrestler" of the last 25 years by the wrestling media.

The Wrestler SPOT LIGHTS...

From time to time, *The Wrestler* will shine its spotlight on an outstanding wrestler, manager, or tag team. These are unforgettable highlights of the sport's greatest stars, compiled by the largest staff of editors and photographers in wrestling journalism

ICEMAN PARSONS

FOR ANY WRESTLING fan who thinks 1985 has been the year of The Iceman, Iceman King Parsons would like to thank you for the recognition but at the same time let you know that while 1985 was certainly the best year of his career, there are better years to follow.

As we go to press, Parsons holds the World Class American championship, which he won from Chris Adams, a wrestler whom before this year very few people would have believed The Iceman could have beaten.

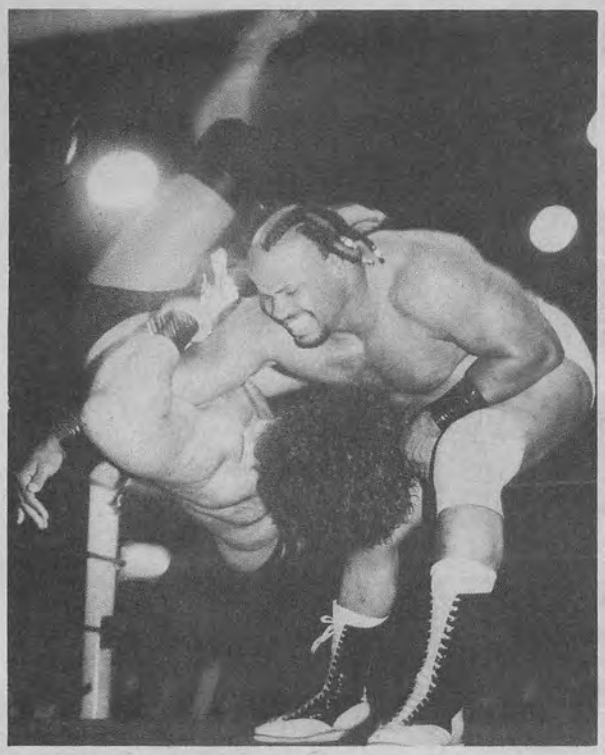
The force of Iceman Parsons' left hand is evident as Norvell Austin's head is turned and his hair flies into the air.

A native of St. Louis, Parsons grew up in the same neighborhood as boxing champions Leon and Michael Spinks. During interviews, Parsons often looks to those roots: "There must be some kind of magic in the air down by those St. Louis projects," he is fond of saying. "Leon and Michael are great fighters; I'm gonna be the next world champion on the block, though!"

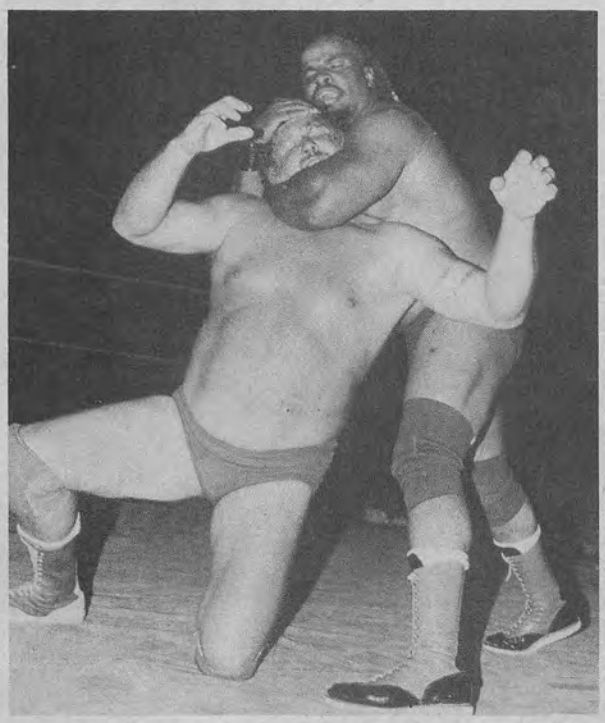
From the time he was in grade school, Parsons knew that he wanted to devote his life to professional wrestling. He began his career in the Mid-Atlantic region, then moved on to Texas, but has always been most comfortable wrestling in St. Louis. "There's nothing like the hometown crowd," Parsons says with a broad grin.

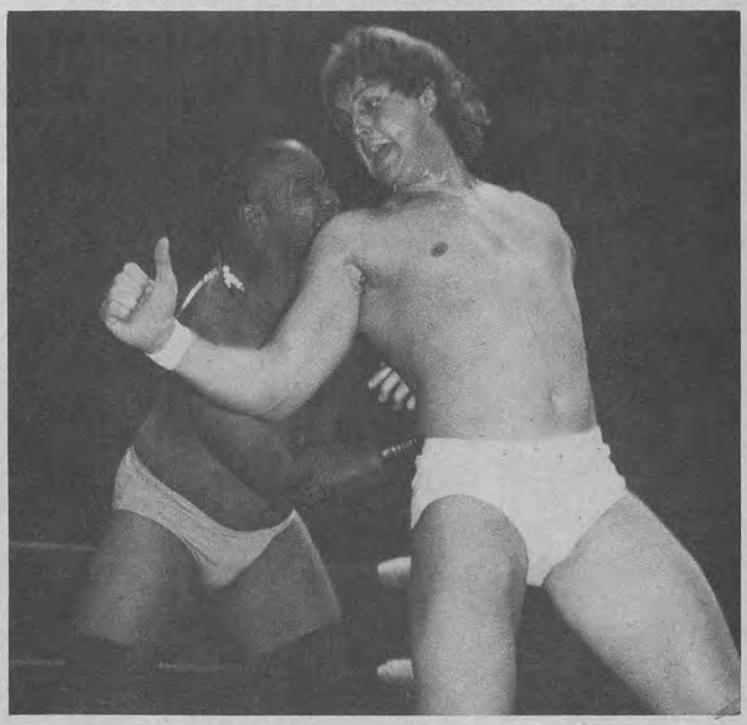
Like so many other wrestlers in the world, Parsons' goal is Ric Flair's NWA World title—but now he's got more immediate goals: "First things first," Parsons says, "and defending my American championship definitely comes first. But someday . . . someday . . . oh brother, someday just you wait!"

The Wrestler *is proud to spotlight some of the career highlights of a sensational and exciting wrestler: Iceman King Parsons.*



Parsons smoothly flips Tonga John (left). The Iceman cradles Bill Irwin (above). Missouri native Parsons puts the sleeper on current Missouri champion Harley Race (below left). The Iceman surprised everyone but himself by taking Chris Adams' American championship (below right).

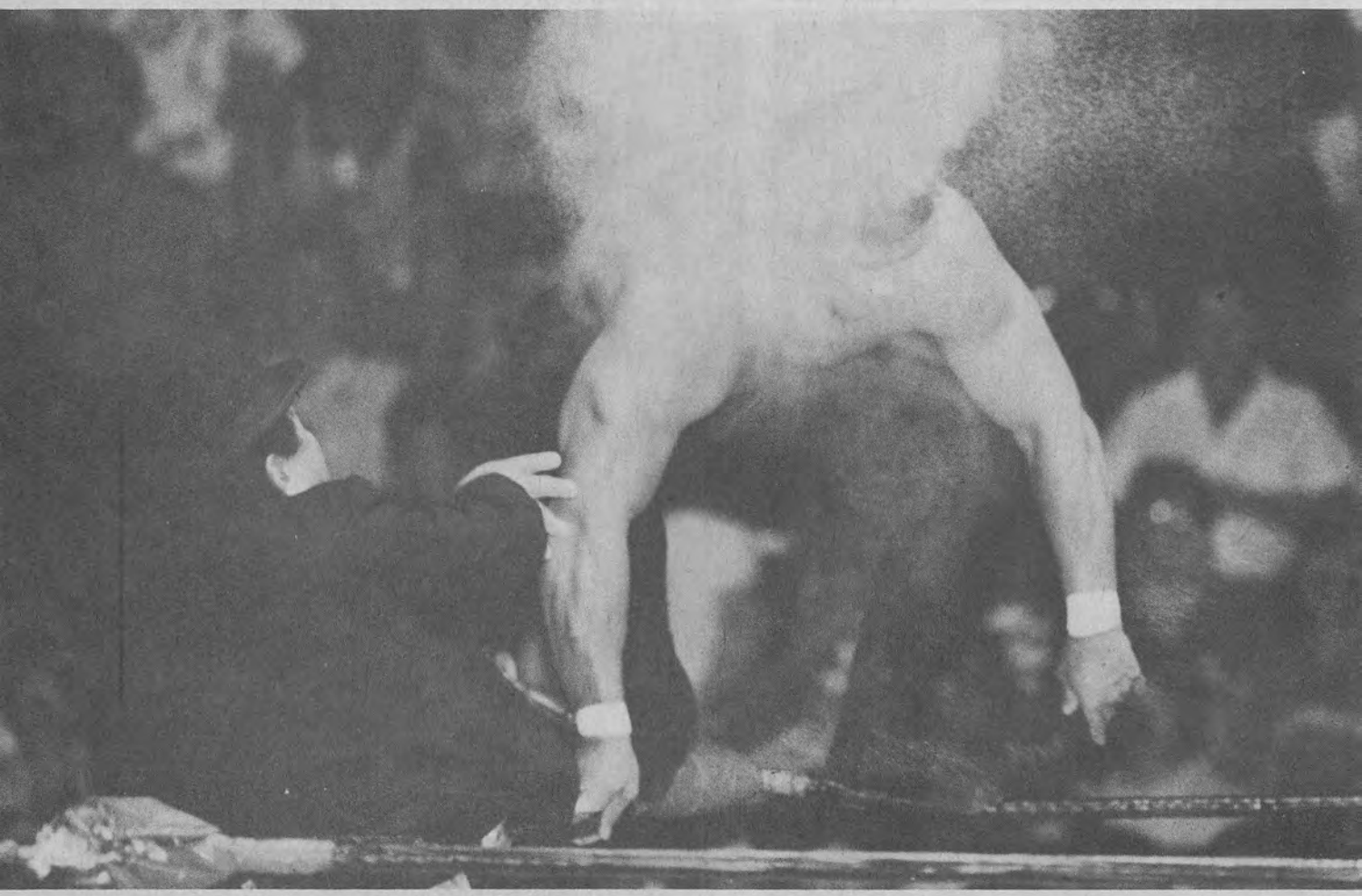




Parsons, battling Michael Hayes, blends an aerial and stationary attack (below). The Iceman sends Doug Sommers in flight (right).

EXCLUSIVE PHOTOS !

HOW MURACO & FUJI BLINDED RICK STEAMBOAT!



Mr. Fuji throws a handful of burning powder into Rick Steamboat's eyes as The Dragon prepares to leap upon Magnificent Muraco from the top turnbuckle. Fuji's action would draw an immediate disqualification, but that would be little consolation to Steamboat.

Photos by David Fitzgerald

Rick Steamboat has been through a lot of wars in his career, but his relatively unmarked face shows evidence of his good luck. Fellow Hawaiian Magnificent Muraco and his Japanese manager, Mr. Fuji, intend to rectify this situation

HE WASN'T SURE initially whether the desk clerk had given the correct room number. Never trust a wrinkled geezer with a jet black dye job for accurate details. The room looked completely dark—no light at all seeped through the cracks in the door. Rick Steamboat obviously wasn't home.

Who knows. Steamboat could have been visiting Santana or JYD. He could have been grabbing a late-night bacon-burger at the gleaming Denny's down the street. Or he could even have been dozing, if the match that night had been especially rugged.

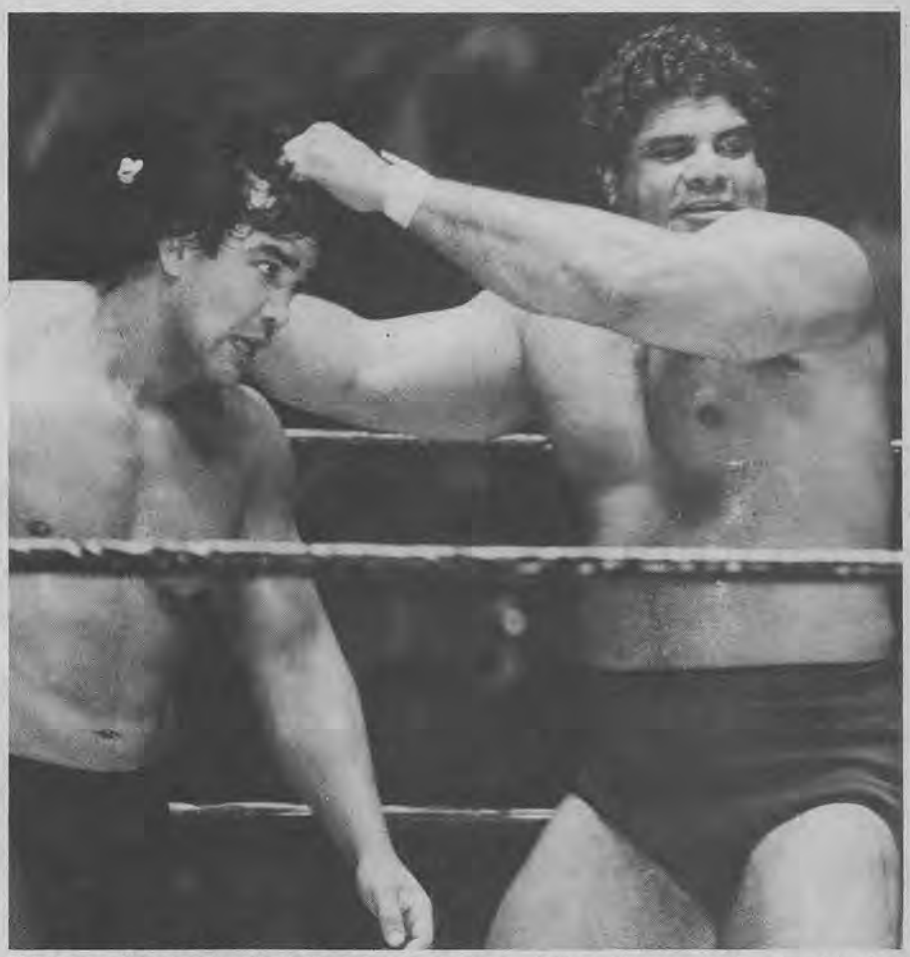
What the hell. The man was an old friend of Steamboat's, a member of his Mid-Atlantic gym whom he hadn't seen since coming north. A blinding thunderstorm had forced him to catch a later connection from North Carolina, and he had just missed Steamboat's match with Magnificent Muraco. He didn't want to miss Rick entirely before leaving town. He knocked anyway.

He had no more than a few seconds to think about leaving before the safety-locked door lurched open. A burly undefined figure met him there in the dark. It hoarsely muttered, "Come on in." It held the door half open.

"I haven't seen you in a long time," Rick Steamboat told his friend. He seemed less than elated, though. There was a bone-dull, matter-of-fact gloominess in Steamboat's voice, devoid of pleasure. For a few seconds, the man thought that Steamboat was unhappy to see him, then he realized that something was terribly wrong. Rick's voice reflected pain, not annoyance.

"Well, I can't get a good look at you, bro, without turning on the lights."

"NOOOOO!" Steamboat shrieked. "I mean, *wait* a minute." Nimbly avoiding furniture with groping hands, Steamboat progressed to the rear of the motel room and carefully switched on the lavatory light. Dim ochres bathed a face with circular bandages plastered onto where dark brooding eyes used to be.



Muraco grabs Steamboat's hair with both hands and flings him across the ring into the turnbuckles. The Magnificent One appears to be enjoying himself as he controls the action against his fellow Hawaiian.

"What happened to *you?"* the man bellowed in horror. Instinctively, he held out his hands and led Steamboat to the bed. Ricky collapsed there into a supine position, clutching at his black velvet "Dragon" robe and stifling a groan.

"Brother, I'm burnin' up, " Steamboat snarled. "Didn't you see . . ."

His friend explained why he had not.

"Muraco . . . Fuji . . . slime . . ." Steamboat sputtered. "They've got to be stopped. I've got to put them out of wrestling before they maim somebody for life. And it could be me."

"They caught me there on the top rope," Steamboat continued. "I wasn't looking. Fuji whipped out some sort of burning powder and threw it my face. He's done that before, in fact he's been doin' that with powder or salt for almost 20 years. It burns, but it usually doesn't last long, just long enough for you to make you lose your bearings and get you pinned.

"They wouldn't settle for that this time, though. I was staggering around half-blindly, waiting for my eyes to clear, and Fuji handed Muraco his cane and he jabbed me in both eyes with it! What the hell's the matter with those maniacs! I may never see again!"

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Rick Rude vs. Billy Jack Haynes

"I AM WRESTLING'S SEXIEST SUPERSTAR!"

BY RAVISHING RICK RUDE

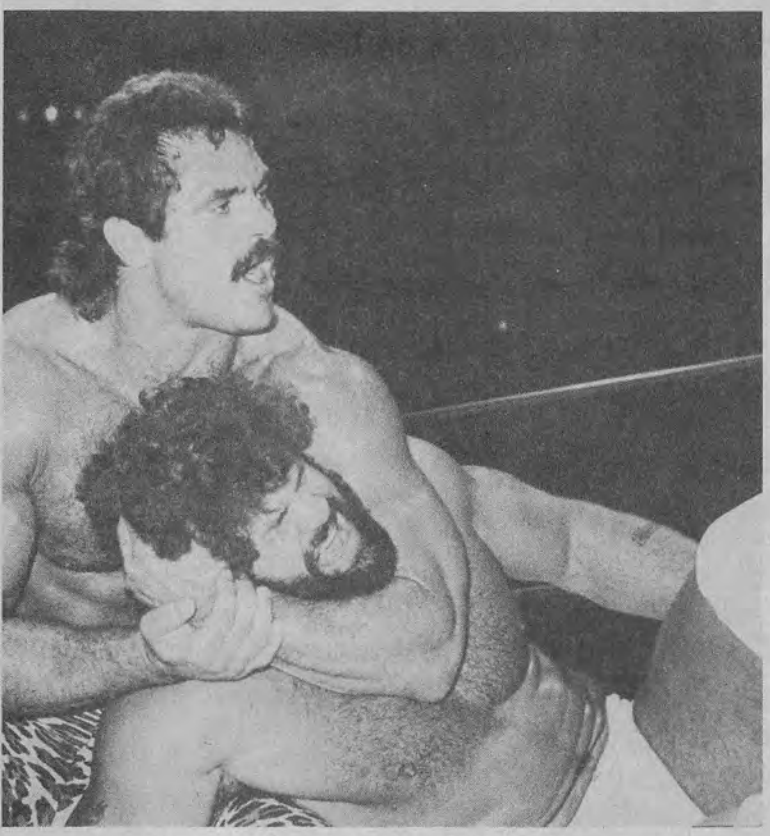
In this exclusive for The Wrestler, one of the most talented and controversial figures in the sport explains exactly what sets him apart from the rest of the "pretty boy" pack

I, RAVISHING RICK RUDE, am unique. There are a lot of so-called pretty boys in this sport who are always popping off about their good looks and bragging about all the women who squeal at their muscles. That's old news, we've had that kind of thing in wrestling since Gorgeous George. It bugs me that I'm *lumped in* with all these characters, so a lot of fans who see *my* magnificent physique and the ladies who flock around me assume that I'm arrogant and stupid, too. Nothing could be further from the truth, brothers and sisters. I have that something extra, that high-powered hyper-emotional super-normal stun-gun X-factor quotient that makes me unbeatable, in and out of the ring. Let's just call it by a generic name: RAVISHING.

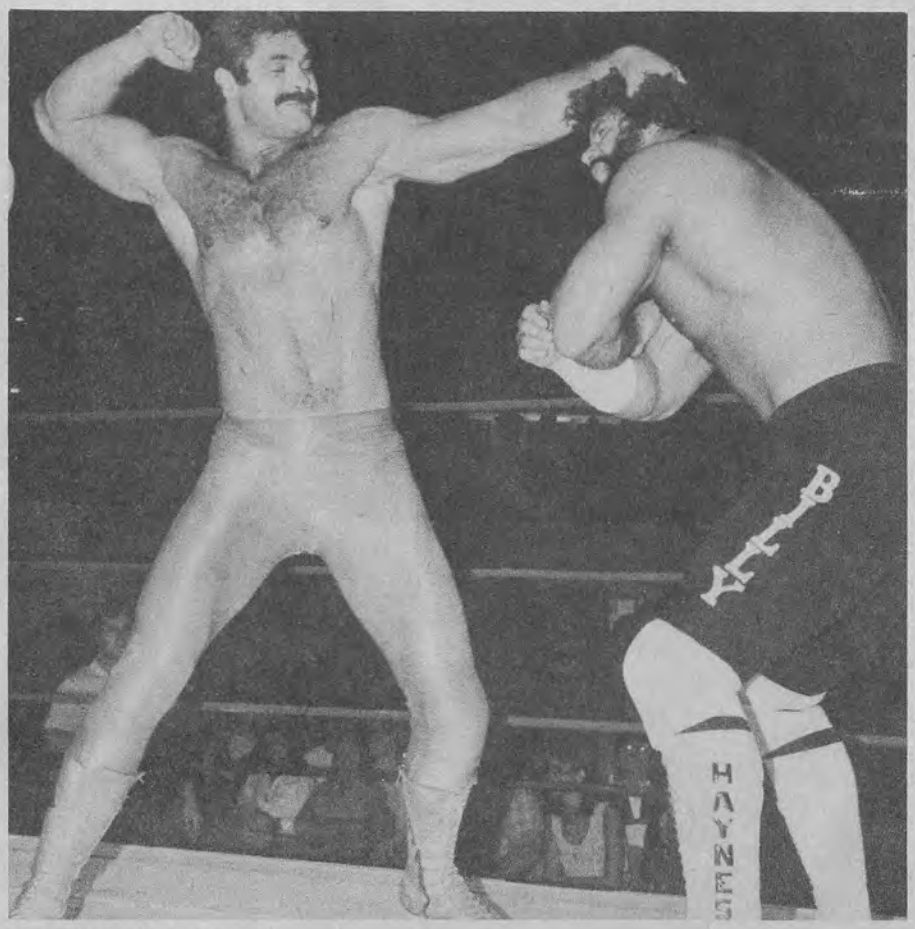
RAVISHING is my personal credo, my code of living and my lifestyle. It is my soul. There's no point in talking about RICK RUDE without realizing exactly what it means to be RAVISHING: RAVISHING *is* RICK RUDE, Mr. RUDE *is* ravishing, and you can't separate the two at all. That's why I type my name in capital letters, and that's why I use it as a noun, adjective, adverb, whatever. My *life* is an action verb, and RAVISHING can be any part of speech I choose.

In fact, I've had my name legally changed from "Rick Rude" to RAVISHING RICK RUDE. Three names are necessary to contain my greatness. My driver's license, my insurance papers and ID, my bank accounts and contracts and fat paychecks are all made out to RAVISHING RICK RUDE, capitals included. Readers may or may not recall that this isn't the first time I have had my name legally changed. After I set my priorities straight and began to think of myself first and the fans least, a crucial step on the path to maturity and enlightenment, I abandoned my given name "Rood" for the more RAVISHING moniker I now claim for my own. (That ugly, guttural "Rood" is "door" spelled backward—and that's exactly where my career was going before I changed my name, backward out the door leading to fame, money, and brilliance. But that's what happens to any young wrestler who hangs around Mr. Wrestling II Old for II long.)

So what is RAVISHING all about? I could go on for months, even years, about the concept and what makes it so important to me. I believe it would revolutionize the



Rick Rude uses his his huge biceps to cinch down on a headlock against Billy Jack Haynes (above). Rick prefers to use his muscles to impress young ladies, in this case his former valet, Angel (right). RAVISHING Rick fires a right hand at Haynes (below).



Photos by Eddie Cheslock

social mores of America and the world at large. It could only compare to the great Hugh Hefner's legendary "Playboy Philosophy," which took years to complete in monthly magazine installments. Unfortunately, *The Wrestler* organization has taken my request for a monthly column outlining the RAVISHING philosophy "under consideration," so my manager, Percy Pringle, is talking to other fine publishers—Mr. Hefner, Mr. Guccione, and Mr. Flynt for example—in pursuit of a forum in which I can discuss the RAVISHING philosophy in more detail. Allow me now to try and elaborate in the regrettably brief space that I have.

The Number One component of RAVISHING is the root of all life itself: S-E-X. To put it country simple, I am wrestling's sexiest superstar. Everything I do in every minute of every waking hour is sexual. I have taken the energy of the

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MAGNUM T.A.:

"I BATTLED FOR MY LIFE— AND SAVED MY CAREER!"

Abdullah catches Magnum T.A. off-guard, attacking him before he can even remove his vest.

Some say that Magnum T.A. was risking his life by signing to wrestle Abdullah the Butcher while he was in the midst of a slump. But T.A. knew what he was doing

While the flow of blood is greatly hindering his vision, T.A. doesn't have to see to know he has just been charged by a 360-pound man (right). Calling on his inner reserves, T.A. battles back and tries to pierce Abdullah's skin with his knuckles (below).

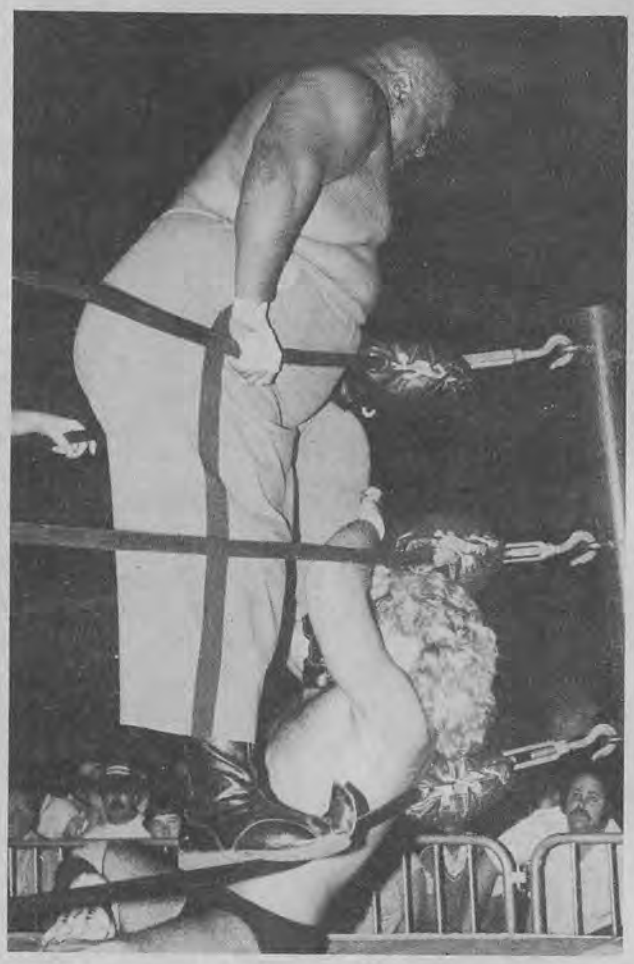
Photos by Paul Bauman & Duane Long

MAGNUM T.A.'S EYES were solid steel bearings of pure intensity and concentration. Their object of focus: 360 pounds of simmering madman in the person of Abdullah the Butcher. Who could imagine that two such wildly diverse individuals would be in the ring together?

Magnum is a young man who blends scientific skills with an enthusiasm toward the sport and a hunger to improve those skills with each match. He is a methodical tactician, and prides himself on maneuvering his opponent into position to score a victory with his superb finishing maneuver, the belly-to-belly suplex.

But how could Magnum hope to utilize those skills against a behemoth like Abdullah the Butcher? How many precisely placed dropkicks would it take to knock Abdullah off his feet? Would Magnum be able to evade the relentless offense and inevitable foreign objects characteristic of Abdullah's style? And could Magnum even hope to attempt the belly-to-belly on Abdullah?

And, most important of all, how much was Magnum T.A. risking by taking on an opponent like Abdullah the Butcher at a point in his career when he has been emotionally drained by his



T.A. will be the first to admit that this is not the type of match in which he prefers to wrestle. He needed a good brawl, however, to clear his head and get him out of his slump. Magnum tries to maneuver his larger opponent into ring center (above). T.A. is in a precarious position with 360 pounds of Sudanese madman standing on his throat (right).

loss of the U.S. title to Tully Blanchard and several failed attempts to wrestle the NWA World title from Ric Flair?

These were the questions that T.A. was doubtlessly asking himself as he stared across the ring at his opponent—as the fans stared into the ring in amazement.

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"When I stepped through the ring ropes, I felt a cold chill run down my spine," Magnum said. "I knew then that there was absolutely no turning back; and believe me, there was a chunk of me that wanted to turn and run like hell!

"It's not like I was wrestling Kamala," Magnum continued. "I consider Abdullah to be a far more dangerous opponent than Kamala. Which is not to say that Kamala isn't dangerous. But Abdullah is totally unpredictable. He's sent a lot of men into the hospital, and some of them never returned to the ring. Don't make a mistake about it, Abdullah can cut you, break you, and finish you before you have any idea what's going on, or how to defend yourself."

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Abdullah made the first move, a move that confirmed many of the fears Magnum was experiencing: The Butcher attacked Magnum before he even had a chance to remove his leather vest. Again and again, Abdullah sent his meaty fist crashing into the top of Magnum's skull.

The referee tried to interfere, but Abdullah pushed him away and continued his senseless rampage. Abdullah pushed Magnum to the mat, and in the second or two that he had to catch his breath, Magnum managed to remove his vest.

But T.A. shouldn't have been worried about his attire. In a matter of seconds, Abdullah sent T.A. through the ropes, his head crashing to the concrete floor below. Abdullah methodically and sadistically followed up on his attack as he grabbed Magnum by the hair with one hand, grabbed the ringpost with the other hand, and brought the two together in a sickening crunch of bone against steel.

Magnum's forehead burst open, and a trickle of blood began finding its way into his eyes. T.A. staggered into the ring, and Abdullah followed. Taking some sort of taped foreign object out of his trunks, Abdullah began stabbing away at the wound on Magnum's head, quickly turning a trickle of blood into an irreversible stream.

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"Abdullah is surprisingly quick for his size," Magnum said. "There's a point in distance running, you know, that runners call 'the wall.' It's a barrier of pain that when you've run enough and come up against it, you just have to grit your teeth, keep going, and break through it.

"Same thing with Abdullah. I can take punishment. I've been in some wars. But I'm not about to let anyone, and certainly not Abdullah, get the best of me in any match. There comes a time when you just take so much punishment, so much abuse, that you just don't care about the pain. You

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"WE WANT THE FANTASTICS!"

Although they don't hold a major tag team belt, Tommy Rogers and Bobby Fulton—better known as The Fantastics—possess something greater: The love of the fans. Now those fans are beginning a tug-of-war, and The Fantastics are caught in the middle!

IT LOOKED LIKE the scene in The Beatles' *A Hard Day's Night* where The Fab Four are told by their road manager that it's "time to do your homework, boys," and are handed their fan mail to answer.

Tommy Rogers and Bobby Fulton may not have six singles in the *Billboard* Top 10, but they certainly have their share of fans. Enough, clearly, to bury them in mail and keep them from spending a night on the town this one particular evening.

"I know we can't even hope to answer *half* of these letters," said Bobby Fulton, "but the least we can do is read them. We *always* read our fan mail, even if we never get the chance to write back. It's important to Tommy and me that we know what's going on in our fans' minds, what they think of us, and how they see us."

Tommy Rogers agrees.

"If not for the fans, none of us, and I mean every professional wrestler in the world, wouldn't be here. It's the fans who support us with their hard-earned money when they buy a ticket to the

matches, and the least we can do is listen to them when they want to talk to us through a letter or a postcard."

Fulton and Rogers lay on the beds in their hotel room, clad only in wrestling trunks, each with a pile of mail on the bedspread next to them.

"Tommy, check this one out," Fulton said. "Here, listen: *Dear Tommy and Bobby: Please, please, please* . . . gee, Tommy, kind of sounds like a James Brown song . . . *please come back to Texas. We in the World Class area need you. We loved it when you two were the tag team champions. You are both what tag team wrestling is all about. Please come back. We have had enough of the very un-dynamic duo of Chris Adams and Gino Hernandez. Please, come back and defeat them for the tag team belts. We love you, we loved you when you were here, and we will always love you. But please, come back soon.* How about that, Tommy?"

Aerial artist Tommy Rogers cross-bodyblocks Dutch Mantel (above). Bobby Fulton easily handles Johnny Grey (below).

Rogers flipped though the pile of letters he had already read, found the sheet of paper he was looking for, and pulled it from the stack.

"Check this one out, Bobby: *Dear Fantastics. If you ask me, you have the most appropriate name of any tag team in the entire sport. You really are fantastic. Personally, I think you could defeat any team in wrestling, especially Ted DiBiase and Steve Williams. I know you can do it guys, and I can't wait for the match to happen. You two are destined to wear the Mid-South tag team belts, and when you finally do capture those belts it'll be one of the greatest days in Mid-South history. Go for it, guys. Nothing can stop you, least of all Williams*

and DiBiase!"

Rogers and Fulton looked at each other with seriousness in their eyes. It was clear that they were both thinking the same thing.

"Maybe we *should* try and go back to the World Class area," Fulton said. "But then again, we're doing well here in the Mid-South."

"I'll tell you something," Rogers said, "I *know* we could get the belts from Hernandez and Adams. You've been following the events there just like me, you *know* they're vulnerable now. They're obsessed with this hair vs. hair match they've got coming up with Kerry and Kevin Von Erich."

For the next 20 minutes or so, Fulton and Rogers opened their mail in silence. Occasionally, one of them would emit a chuckle or a sigh. But both of them, as they read their mail, maintained two piles of letters: one stack from Mid-South fans supporting their efforts in that region, and another stack from World Class fans pleading with The Fantastics to return to Texas.

Fulton plants his feet and will take Chavo Guerrero over with a backslide (above). Rogers has Norvell Austin under control (below).

About a half-hour later, they each had two piles that were threatening to fall over and spill onto the floor.

"This is amazing," Rogers said. "I mean, look: We had our share of mail in the World Class area, and we always enjoyed it. But that mail from Texas hasn't gone down since we came to the Mid-South."

"If anything," Fulton added, "I'd say it's gone up! These fans want us back in Texas, and they want us there yesterday! This is really pretty amazing!"

"You know, maybe we should think about returning to Texas," Rogers said. Fulton and Rogers looked at each other in silence for a few minutes. They were both considering the consequences of leaving the Mid-South area.

"Hey Tommy . . ." Fulton said, "what do you think about wrestling double-duty for a couple of months? Maybe we could go after *both* sets of belts."

"Hmmmm." Rogers was thoughtful for a moment. "You know . . . You can please all of the people some of the time . . ."

Fulton and Rogers continued to open mail, continued to read letters from Texas begging them to return to the World Class area, and continued to amass letters imploring them to defeat Ted DiBiase and Steve Williams for the Mid-South tag team title. And all the while, the question of returning to Texas and the World Class area remained a distinct possibility.

Rogers looked over at Fulton and smiled. "You know something, Bobby? It's great to feel wanted!"

Fulton just smiled back at his partner. □

Ric Flair's Race Against Time:

STOP NIKITA KOLOFF NOW . . . OR NEVER!

IT HAS BEEN said that great responsibilities come with great power. We heard all about it in the headlines and editorials of Watergate. We can discern it as the basic motif of the superhero comic books. At times we may wonder if the responsibilities themselves are exaggerated, to legitimize the powerful individual's aura of invincibility. Power is an honor and a privilege, we may believe, borne of good fortune and maybe a little talent; we all have our responsibilities to bear, and the powerful cannot be excused if they cannot bear their own.

If professional wrestling today has a superhero, it is Ric Flair. He is not a superhero in the Mil Mascaras mold, but his responsibilities *have* made him superhuman by necessity. As NWA World champion, he *does* bear the crucial burdens, he *must* fight the good fight; we cannot dismiss his responsibilities lightly, with the culti-

If you believe that Ric Flair, the epitome of flash and arrogance, is a disgrace to the honorable tradition of the NWA World Championship, guess again. When a foreign invader threatens that tradition, he's more than ready to wage his heart and blood in its defense

Photos by Craig Peters

vated arrogance of the envious, the hypercritical. More than any other man, Ric Flair must sustain the quality of professional wrestling, and his actions will determine the sport's future.

That is why Ric Flair takes his opposition more seriously than ever in his third championship reign. He knows that if he drops the 10 pounds of gold to a man who can't carry its weight, the sport itself is threatened. He knows *objectively* that he is the ideal man for the honor, in the same way Muhammad Ali glorified the heavyweight championship. He knows that while certain opponents may prove themselves to be adequate champions, in and out of the ring, other men must be definitively and permanently

Koloff barrels into Flair in the corner, momentarily taking the champion's wind (above). The young Russian's headlock can weaken a man like few other wrestler's (below left). Referee David Crockett is knocked out as Nikita's Uncle Ivan joins the battle (below right).

stopped. They must come no closer to the most coveted belt in wrestling than a jealous peek at it from the opposite corner.

If you ask Flair about Top 10 contenders, he will be less than begrudging in his praise. Rather than mouthing off about their incompetent ring skills and questioning their masculinity, the way so many other wrestlers react when asked to rate their opposition, he analyzes their skills and weaknesses with a clear and calculated perspective. The bottom line, though, is that he belittles their emotional maturity; they are not experienced enough to handle the task of being NWA champion. Flair himself readily admits that he wasn't either until his present title reign.

When you ask him about one Top 10 contender, however, he stops short and his face turns as pale as the peroxide in his locks. "He's got to be stopped," he'll say, or words to that effect. If you press him for it, he'll analyze the pros and cons of his style and technique, but he makes it clear that they are not the source of his concern. That contender's name is Nikita Koloff.

Hours before his fifth encounter with the young Russian strongman, Flair tried to relax on one of the beds of his hotel suite, but he succumbed to the urge to pace back and forth. He knew he was wasting energy vital to the match, but he couldn't help himself.

"You know, people look up to that belt," he said, gesturing toward the familiar strap gleaming on a gilded dresser drawer. "I can't even comprehend what might happen if the Koloffs get a hold of it. They're serious about taking it behind the Iron Curtain,

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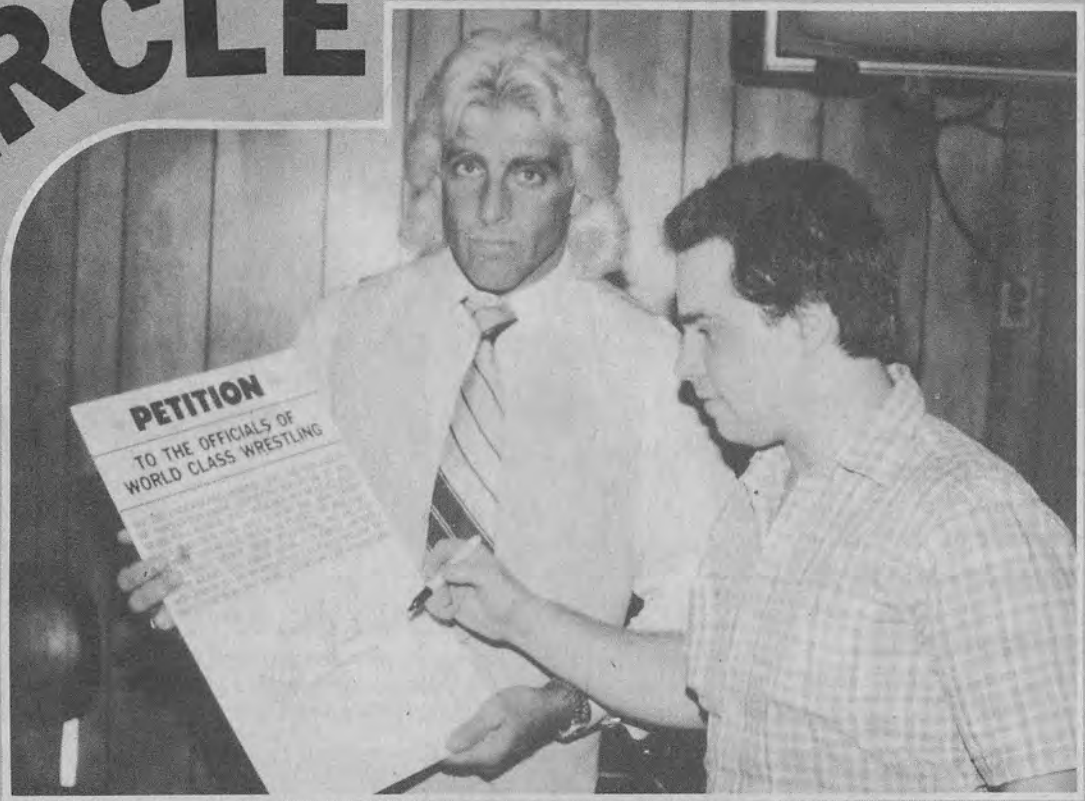
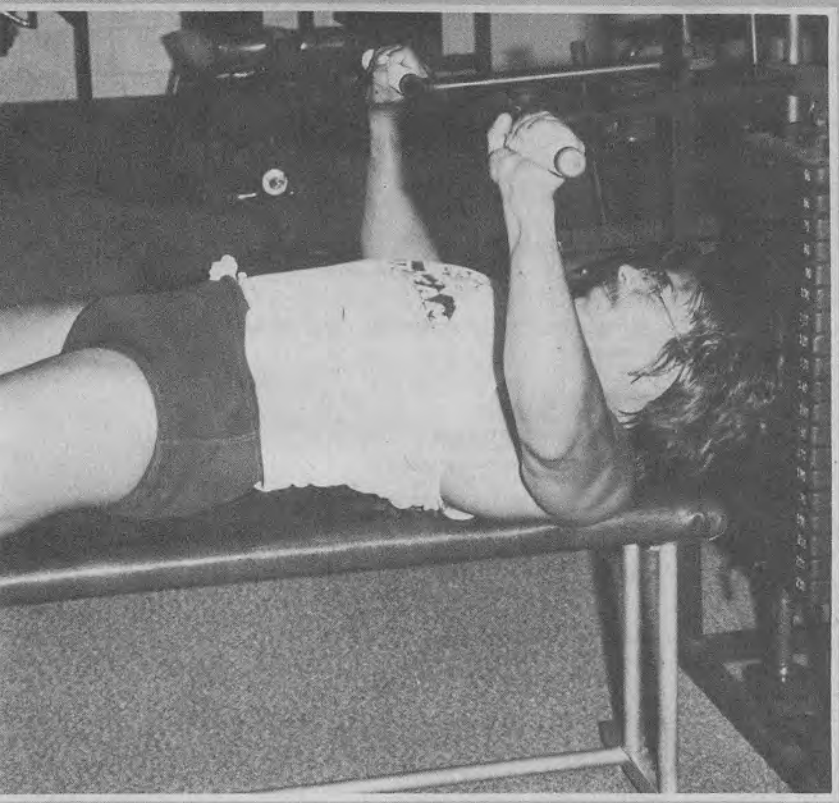
BEYOND THE SQUARED CIRCLE



Scott Lane, a fan given the opportunity to be the second signee of Ric Flair's petition to deprive the Von Erichs of NWA title matches (see *The Wrestler,* November 1985), opts to decline the privilege.

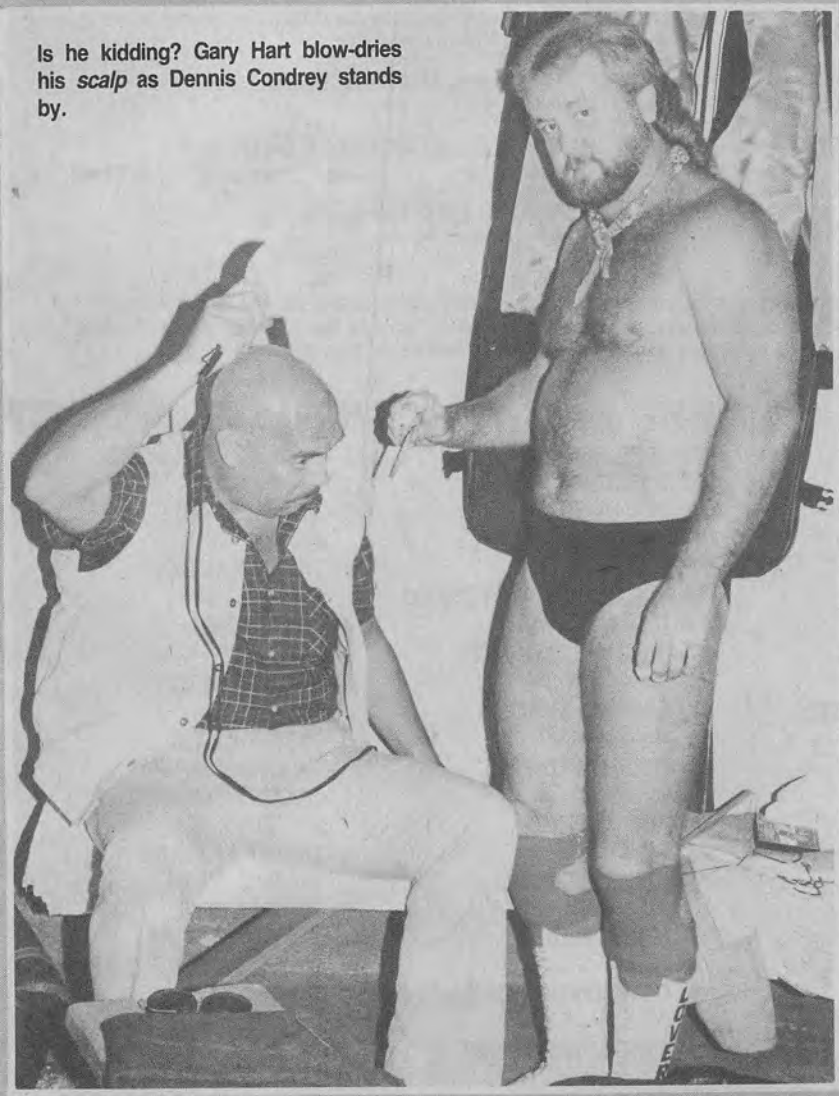
Mr. Wrestling II was almost sorry he agreed to pose with Senior Editor Bill Apter's baby daughter, Hailey Brooke. "She stuck her fingers in my eye holes and nearly unmasked me!" he said.

Jim Brunzell calms himself before a match by listening to classical music.



Like many pro wrestlers, Hector Guerrero spends a good portion of his free time in the gym. Hector works out with 230 pounds on the Universal bench press.

Three generations of Watts: Mid-South broadcaster Joel Watts, Mid-South president Bill Watts Jr., and Mid-South office manager Bill Watts Sr.



Is he kidding? Gary Hart blow-dries his *scalp* as Dennis Condrey stands by.

World Championship Wrestling secretary Louise Bennett has an eyeful as she reads (?) a book on Magnum T.A.

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Top 10 and Tag Team ratings are based on won-lost records for the past month, quality of opposition, and inherent skill of each wrestler or team. These ratings are compiled by the magazine's editorial board.

Magnum T.A.

TOP10

1—**RIC FLAIR**
243, Minneapolis, MN

2—**HULK HOGAN**
302, Venice Beach, CA

3—**RICK MARTEL**
236, Quebec City, Quebec

4—**TULLY BLANCHARD**
235, San Antonio, TX

5—**DUSTY RHODES**
302, Austin, TX

6—**NIKITA KOLOFF**
275, Moscow, Russia

7—**TITO SANTANA**
245, Mission, TX

8—**SGT. SLAUGHTER**
310, Parris Island, SC

9—**MAGNUM T.A.**
245, Chesapeake, VA

10—**RICK STEAMBOAT**
238, Honolulu, HI

TAG TEAMS

1—**THE ROAD WARRIORS**
AWA World tag team champions
Combined weight: 567 pounds

2—**RICK MORTON & ROBERT GIBSON**
NWA World tag team champions
Combined weight: 453 pounds

3—**GREG VALENTINE & BRUTUS BEEFCAKE**
WWF World tag team champions
Combined weight: 511 pounds

4—**CHRIS ADAMS & GINO HERNANDEZ**
World Class tag team champions
Combined weight: 454 pounds

5—**OLE & ARN ANDERSON**
National tag team champions
Combined weight: 525 pounds

6—**AL PEREZ & WENDELL COOLEY**
Mid-South tag team champions
Combined weight: 451 pounds

7—**DENNIS CONDREY & BOBBY EATON**
No. 1 contenders to NWA tag team title
Combined weight: 472 pounds

8—**BARRY WINDHAM & MIKE ROTUNDO**
No. 1 contenders to WWF tag team title
Combined weight: 475 pounds

9—**WAHOO McDANIEL & BILLY JACK HAYNES**
U.S. tag team champions
Combined weight: 505 pounds

10—**JONATHAN BOYD & RIP MORGAN**
Mid-Southern tag team champions
Combined weight: 542 pounds

NWA, AWA, and WWF ratings, in addition to the regional ratings from around the country, are based on the official current position of challengers to the top title in each category. (Certain titleholders receive an automatic spot in the ratings). Most Popular and Most Hated ratings are based on nationwide surveys of wrestling fans and mail that comes to our offices.

NWA

World Champion:
RIC FLAIR
243, Minneapolis, MN

1—**TULLY BLANCHARD**
235, San Antonio, TX

2—**DUSTY RHODES**
302, Austin, TX

3—**NIKITA KOLOFF**
275, Moscow, Russia

4—**BLACK BART**
301, Houston, TX

5—**RICK RUDE**
246, Robbinsdale, MN

6—**KERRY VON ERICH**
260, Denton, TX

7—**MAGNUM T.A.**
245, Chesapeake, VA

8—**ICEMAN PARSONS**
242, St. Louis, MO

9—**HARLEY RACE**
253, Kansas City, MO

10—**BRIAN ADIDAS**
238, Denton, TX

AWA

World Champion:
RICK MARTEL
236, Quebec City, Quebec

1—**SGT. SLAUGHTER**
310, Parris Island, SC

2—**LARRY ZBYSZKO**
248, Pittsburgh, PA

3—**MICHAEL HAYES**
255, Marietta, GA

4—**NICK BOCKWINKEL**
245, Beverly Hills, CA

5—**JIM GARVIN**
235, Tampa, FL

6—**GREG GAGNE**
220, Robbinsdale, MN

7—**KAMALA**
360, Uganda

8—**BUCK ZUMHOFE**
222, Hamburg, MN

9—**RAY STEVENS**
243, San Francisco, CA

10—**CURT HENNIG**
235, Minneapolis, MN

WWF

World Champion:
HULK HOGAN
302, Venice Beach, CA

1—**TITO SANTANA**
245, Mission, TX

2—**MAGNIFICENT MURACO**
274, Sunset Beach, HA

3—**RICK STEAMBOAT**
238, Honolulu, HI

4—**RANDY SAVAGE**
245, Sarasota, FL

5—**PAUL ORNDORFF**
253, Brandon, FL

6—**RODDY PIPER**
231, Scotland

7—**JUNKYARD DOG**
260, New Orleans, LA

8—**JOHN STUDD**
364, Washington, DC

9—**COWBOY BOB ORTON**
245, Kansas City, KS

10—**KING KONG BUNDY**
446, Atlantic City, NJ

WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP

1—**TULLY BLANCHARD**
235, San Antonio, TX

2—**BLACK BART**
301, Houston, TX

3—**DUSTY RHODES**
302, Austin, TX

4—**NIKITA KOLOFF**
275, Moscow, Russia

5—**TERRY TAYLOR**
225, Vero Beach, FL

6—**MAGNUM T.A.**
245, Chesapeake, VA

7—**MANNY FERNANDEZ**
245, El Paso, TX

8—**JIMMY VALIANT**
251, New York, NY

9—**DICK SLATER**
235, Tampa, FL

10—**KONGA THE BARBARIAN**
265, Chicago

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WORLD CLASS
1—ICEMAN PARSONS
242, St. Louis, MO
2—BRIAN ADIDAS
238, Denton, TX
3—KEVIN VON ERICH
239, Denton, TX
4—CHRIS ADAMS
230, Stratford, England
5—KERRY VON ERICH
260, Denton, TX
6—BRUISER BRODY
284, Albequerque, NM
7—GINO HERNANDEZ
224, Houston, TX
8—ONE MAN GANG
468, Chicago, IL
9—KABUKI
252, Singapore
10—MIKE VON ERICH
220, Denton, TX

MID-SOUTH
1—DICK MURDOCH
270, Waxahachie, TX
2—THE NIGHTMARE
285, parts unknown
3—HACKSAW DUGGAN
280, New York, NY
4—STEVE WILLIAMS
295, Tulsa, OK
5—JAKE ROBERTS
243, Baton Rouge, LA
6—BUTCH REED
265, Kansas City, MO
7—TED DiBIASE
247, Omaha, NB
8—DUTCH MANTEL
242, Oil Trough, TX
9—THE MIDNIGHT RIDER
264, parts unknown
10—BRICKHOUSE BROWN
225, Winter Haven, FL

FLORIDA
1—RICK RUDE
246, Robbinsdale, MN
2—JACK HART
230, St. Petersburg, FL
3—WAHOO McDANIEL
260, Midland, TX
4—BILLY JACK HAYNES
245, Portland, OR
5—BUGSY McGRAW
268, New York, NY
6—MIKE GRAHAM
229, Tampa, FL
7—RIP OLIVER
245, Tampa, FL
8—SCOTT McGHEE
220, Shipley, England
9—KENDELL WINDHAM
220, Sweetwater, TX
10—RIP ROGERS
238, Atlanta, GA

MID-SOUTHERN
1—TARRUS BALBA
267, Outer Mongolia
2—KOKO WARE
229, Union City, TN
3—JERRY LAWLER
234, Memphis, TN
4—BOTA
270, Maori Islands
5—PHIL HICKERSON
238, Jackson, TN
6—JERRY OSKE
243, Hartford, CT
7—LORD JONATHAN BOYD
255, Aucklund, New Zealand
8—TOJO YAMAMOTO
230, Tokyo, Japan
9—RIP MORGAN
250, Auklund, New Zealand
10—BILLY TRAVIS
218, Houston, TX

MISSOURI
1—HARLEY RACE
253, Kansas City, MO
2—KERRY VON ERICH
260, Denton, TX
3—MR. POGO
255, Tokyo, Japan
4—JERRY BLACKWELL
474, Stone Mountain, GA
5—ICEMAN PARSONS
232, St. Louis, MO
6—WAHOO McDANIEL
260, Midland, TX
7—BOB BACKLUND
242, Princeton, MN
8—SGT. SLAUGHTER
310, Parris Island, SC
9—BULLDOG BOB BROWN
258, Winnipeg, Manitoba
10—TED DiBIASE
247, Omaha, NB

NORTHWEST
1—RICKY VAUGHAN
245, Tampa, FL
2—MIKE MILLER
260, Memphis, TN
3—BOBBY JAGGERS
265, Dunlap, KS
4—PLAYBOY BUDDY ROSE
245, Hollywood, CA
5—MEGA MAHARISHI
260, Portland, OR
6—STEVE SIMPSON
220, Africa
7—JERRY GREY
233, Tampa, FL
8—BILLY TWO EAGLES
223, San Antonio, TX
9—TIMOTHY FLOWERS
245, New York, NY
10—STEVE PARDEE
232, San Mateo, CA

MOST POPULAR
1—HULK HOGAN
302, Venice Beach, CA
2—MAGNUM T.A.
245, Chesapeake, VA
3—DUSTY RHODES
302, Austin, TX
4—KERRY VON ERICH
260, Denton, TX
5—RICK MARTEL
236, Quebec City, Quebec
6—KEVIN VON ERICH
239, Denton, TX
7—RICK STEAMBOAT
238, Honolulu, HI
8—SGT. SLAUGHTER
310, Parris Island, SC
9—TERRY TAYLOR
225, Vero Beach, FL
10—BILLY JACK HAYNES
245, Portland, OR

MOST HATED
1—TULLY BLANCHARD
235, San Antonio, TX
2—CHRIS ADAMS
230, Stratford, England
3—RODDY PIPER
231, Glasgow, Scotland
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276, Moscow, Russia
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224, Houston, TX
10—OLE ANDERSON
256, Minneapolis, MN

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RATINGS ANALYSIS

Every month, this column will tell fans how we go about rating more than 150 wrestlers in 14 different categories. It is a behind-the-scenes look at the most important—and respected—ratings system in the sport. This column is vital reading for all wrestling fans.

The WWF World championship—reaction! It seemed like the mail began arriving at our offices within minutes of the the October 1985 edition of *The Wrestler* hitting the newsstands. Letter after letter came in, praising or chastizing us for our decision to rank the WWF heavyweight and tag team titles as a world championships. Here's what some of you had to say about the decision, pro and con:

Clete Carey Jr., Hazleton, PA: Hallelujah! A terrible injustice has been corrected. Hulk Hogan was finally and rightfully recognized as the WWF World heavyweight champion, and Mike Rotundo and Barry Windham likewise as the WWF World tag team champs. About time, fellas. What the heck did you think the first "W" in WWF stands for, wienerschnitzel?

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Junkyard Dog

Brenda Von Egon, Houston, TX: Everyone knows that Vince McMahon paid Junkyard Dog, Rick Steamboat, Randy Savage, etc., a lot of money to leave the areas where they were very successful to come to the WWF and become nothing. I was a big fan of JYD's when he was in the Mid-South, and I'd read a lot of impressive things about Rick Steamboat when he was in the Mid-Atlantic. But who cares about them anymore? Sure, they're getting cheered in the WWF, but those ignorant WWF fans get excited over anything. McMahon wants to buy all the main-eventers from other areas not necessarily to bring some competition to his WWF (Wimp Wonderland Federation), but so that those main-eventers won't make money for other promoters. I don't agree with the decision to recognize the WWF title as a world title, but it doesn't really bother me because everyone knows, and especially Vince McMahon knows, that the NWA has always meant, and will always mean, the very best in professional wrestling.

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Rob Nicholas, Seattle, WA: You made a big mistake when you gave the WWF title world championship status. Hogan, the WWF, and Vince McMahon are all big jokes. They make a mockery out of pro wrestling. In your ratings from the October 1985 issue, Hogan wrestles four, perhaps five wrestlers, if you count Greg Valentine, who just lost the Intercontinental title to Tito Santana. The other wrestlers who work hard to try for a title just get turned down. Rick Martel and Ric Flair, on the other hand, defend their titles against all comers, fan favorite or rulebreaker. Hogan is just an overrated clown who disgraces the sport to embarrassment. Hopefully, he will be beaten and it will be the end of Hulk Hogan cartoons and Hulk Hogan dolls. If not, we can only hope for the best.

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Hulk Hogan

Ed Demling, South Easton, MA: I have always believed the WWF title should be considered as the third world championship. I will tell you why. Ric Flair and Rick Martel have got to be the biggest wimps. I just cannot believe either one of them can hold a heavyweight title. I'll tell you right now, Hulk Hogan could beat the hell out of Flair or Martel in less than five minutes. Magnificent Muraco, for example, was defeated by the Hulkster, and even *he* could kill Flair or Martel. Paul Orndorff could easily take the title from those wimps Flair and Martel. I would just love to see someone tell Hulk Hogan that his title is not good enough to be considered a world title. Hulk Hogan could take almost every title there is, if he wanted to. Just compare his record to those of Flair and Martel.

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Brad Ford, Colton, NY: I think that the commissioners and editors of your magazine and its sister publications have made a very big mistake by letting fans and readers decide if a title should be recognized as a world championship. Don't you think that the commissioners and editors should decide? Because the only reason Hogan's title is recognized as a world title is because of his popularity. If The Iron Sheik or Magnificent Muraco were the WWF king, everyone knows it would not become a world title. In my mind, and many other's as well, the WWF should not be considered as a "world" federation. And many skeptics know the WWF is not close to the NWA or the AWA in terms of competition. It may be too late, but I hope you've seen your error.

The address for mail: We welcome your comments, criticisms and questions about our ratings system. In particular, we want to continue to hear your opinions regarding the WWF World title controversy. Send your letters to: "Ratings Analysis" c/o *The Wrestler;* Box 48; Rockville Centre; New York 11571. □

YOUR LETTERS

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Jim Brunzell, backdropping The Iron Sheik, made a huge career mistake by jumping to the WWF, writes Earl R. Terry Jr.

As for Ricky Steamboat, what's with the karate gi, the ninja points, and your new moniker, The Dragon? The Steamboat that I followed for the past 10 years didn't need a jive gimmick to appeal to the fans. His wrestling skill was more than enough for me. Now he has to dress like some second-rate karate teacher to go along with McMahon's distorted idea of what the fans want to see. When you arrived in the WWF, I expected to you to immediately mount a challenge for Greg Valentine's Intercontinental belt, and when you started teaming with Jimmy Snuka I was positive that you would be the team to beat Nikolai Volkoff and The Iron Sheik. Now that Tito Santana and Windham and Rotundo have re-captured their titles, it leaves you in the dust. Your feud against Magnificent Muraco now becomes more pointless than ever. A wrestler of your calibre should be battling for a title.

My advice for Steamboat and Brunzell, and any other wrestler with aspirations of glory in the WWF: Be forewarned that your career will come to a crashing halt unless you comply

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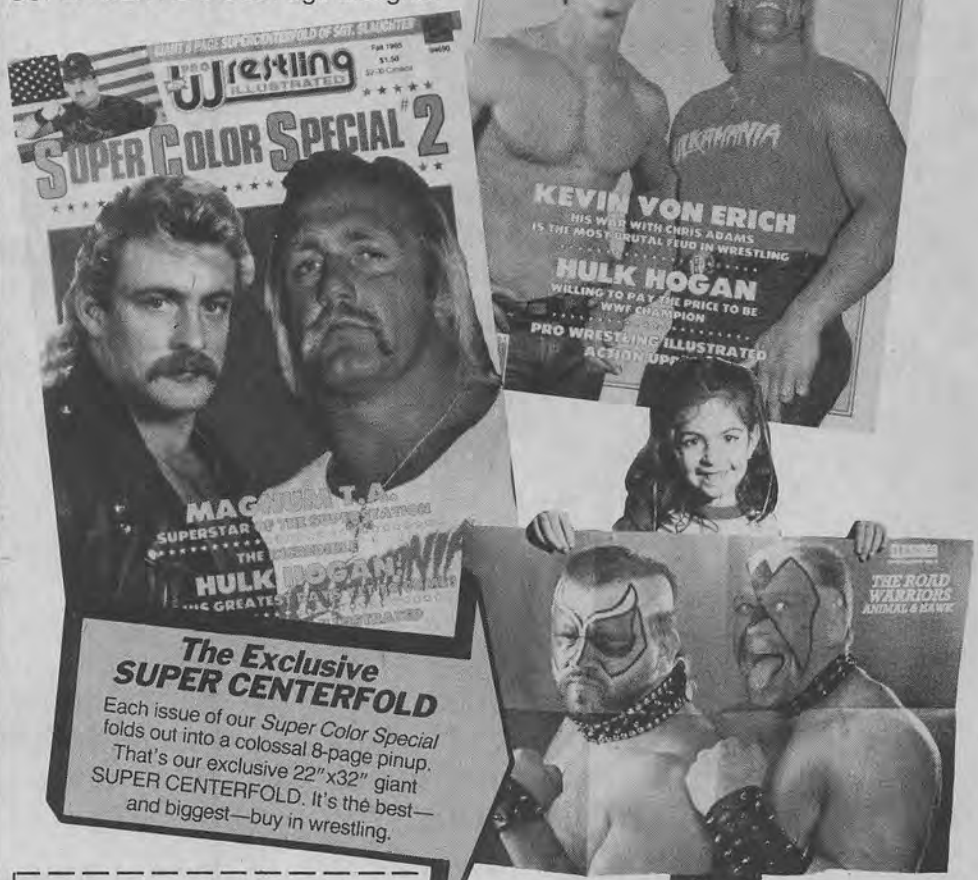

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with the greedy wishes of Vince McMahon, which is a shame because of the fine wrestlers within the WWF's ranks. I think that the WWF's initials should stand for *What* a *Waste* of *Fine* Talent.

EARL R. TERRY JR.
Chicago

IMPRESSIONS OF ADAMS

Since I am at what people call the "impressionable age" (12), I would like to give you my impression of Chris Adams.

One of the side effects of Chris Adams' change to rulebreaker is his influence on the younger children who had worshipped him.

When I first saw Chris Adams wrestle, I was fascinated by how he could jump around. Also, when he was down and beat (which was rare) he would never beg for mercy. He always came back and won. Now he is a coward.

He used to challenge Jimmy Garvin, and Jimmy would take off out of the ring in fear. Now, when the Von Erichs challenge Chris, he is the one who leaves the ring.

He used to try his best to stand up to any challenge and never back

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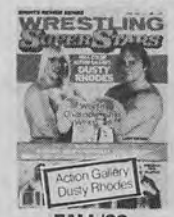

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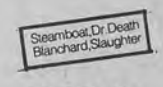

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YOUR LETTERS

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down. Now the second he is in trouble, he begs for mercy. I say if he can't take it, then he should stay out of the ring.

Ever since he became a rulebreaker, he seems to have lost confidence in himself. He feels that he must cheat in order to win. And his fans no longer go to cheer him—they go to see him get creamed.

Chris Adams has become an all-round, number one loser. I just hope he realizes how many fans he lost.

RONILEE BROWN
Mason, NH

MAD AS HELL

I just watched *World Championship Wrestling* and I saw one of the most disgusting incidents in wrestling history.

Ole and Arn Anderson attacked Magnum T.A. in the dressing room in The Omni. They double-teamed him and rubbed his face on the floor. Since Magnum was scheduled to team with Dusty Rhodes against the Andersons that evening, Dusty had no partner and the Andersons double-teamed him. Magnum gamely struggled to the ring to help him, but he was too weak to be effective, and the Andersons pummeled him further. Finally, several wrestlers ran in and broke up the melee, and Magnum was carried out on a stretcher.

I have this to say to the Andersons: You punks make me sick. You should've finished Magnum while you had the chance, because he's going to make you suffer. I hope he cripples you permanently and ends your careers, although even that would be too good for you.

STEPHEN CARUSO
Columbia, MD

WASTED TALENTS

As a longtime fan of Randy "Macho Man" Savage, I've watched in helpless terror as his career sinks

into the quagmire that is the WWF. It's bad enough that he's in a territory that places more of a premium on camp and style than on wrestling ability. I thought the one thing that could save Savage would be if he retained the services of a top flight manager, one with an ability to weed out all the garbage and steer Savage on a course that would do justice to his phenomenal abilities.

So imagine my consternation when The Macho Man revealed his manager, *Miss Elizabeth,* and had to listen to Vince McMahon fawn over her like a 14-year-old at a strip joint. I thought Savage, coming from such a respected wrestling family, had more sense than to fall for the carnival antics of the WWF. But, after this latest move, I have very little faith in his ability to realize his vast potential in the WWF. Hopefully, he will soon be back in the Mid-Southern area where he belongs.

FANNY RICE
Little Rock, AK ☐

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& Mike Rotundo defeated Greg Valentine & Brutus Beefcake . . . Pedro Morales beat Rene Goulet . . . Nikolai Volkoff defeated Salvatore Bellomo . . . Moondog Spot defeated Jose Luis Rivera . . . Iron Mike Sharpe beat Swede Hanson.

Colonie, NY (*Correspondent*—Lee Lazarow): This was a battle of kicks featuring Chris Adams' superkick against The Great Kabuki's thrust kick. The crowd cheered wildly as Kabuki and Sunshine entered the ring. Adams followed to hails of derisive catcalls.

Kabuki strikes a threatening pose before his match with Chris Adams. Kabuki would win with the assistance of Sunshine.

Adams immediately chased Sunshine around the ring until she hid behind Kabuki, who warded Adams off with his killer nunchakus. The two men took off their robes and began to wrestle.

Adams' kicks were more damaging than Kabuki's in the early going and he used this advantage to maneuver Kabuki into a sleeperhold. After several minutes, Adams threw Kabuki to the mat and climbed the top rope to deliver a flying press. Sunshine shook the ropes, causing Adams to lose his balance. As he fell, Kabuki hit him with a devastating thrust kick and went on to victory.

In other bouts: Kerry Von Erich defeated One Man Gang . . . Iceman Parsons beat Killer Tim Brooks . . . Misty Blue Simms pinned Kathy Lerux . . . El Maskerado beat Cowboy Chris Duffy.

Shreveport, LA (*Correspondent*—Bo Nugent): The main event featured the continuation of what has become the fiercest feud in professional wrestling, as Hacksaw Duggan wrestled Kamala, with Skandor Akbar hung suspended in a cage above the ring.

Duggan, bent on revenge more than ever, dominated the entire match and was awarded the victory when Kamala was counted out of the ring. The win entitled Duggan to five minutes alone with Akbar in the ring. Just as Duggan moved in for the kill, Kamala snuck back into the ring and slammed Hacksaw over the head. Akbar continued punishing Duggan for the next two minutes, at which point Duggan mounted his offensive.

However, just as he was about to lay into Akbar, Kamala and Kareem Muhammad interfered and began beating up Duggan. Jake Roberts and The Barbarian came to Duggan's aid and chased Akbar and his cronies from the ring.

In other bouts: Steve Williams & Bruiser Bob Sweetan defeated Jake Roberts & The Barbarian . . . Butch Reed defeated Kareem Muhammad . . . Dick Murdoch and Humongous wrestled to a double-disqualification . . . The Fantastics defeated Bill Dundee & Dutch Mantell . . . Little Coco beat Little Tokyo . . . El Kosario beat Wendell Cooley. □

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WHAT'S HAPPENING

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derstand that the reaction from Alaska wrestling fans was anything but cold (but we wonder—why didn't **The Alaskans** compete?) . . . **Bruiser Brody** is now wrestling regularly in the World Class area.

Harley Race captured an unprecedented seventh Missouri heavyweight title when he regained the belt from **Jerry Blackwell** on August 2 in St. Louis. "This fat slob has been dodging me for months," Race told us, "and it took a long time to actually get him to sign the match contract. You know, Blackwell was bragging that he had held the belt since November 16, 1984, but it's no trick to hold on to a belt for nine months when you never defend it against anyone!"

Hot Rumor From The WWF: Is **Hulk Hogan** favoring a severely sprained knee? According to a high-placed WWF source, Hogan may need surgery, which would put him out of action for a few months. We'll keep you posted.

Gary Royal has captured the NWA junior heavyweight title from **Denny Brown** . . . **Charley Laye**, former promoter, junior heavyweight champion, and recently the office manager of Florida Championship Wrestling, has retired. We'll miss hearing Charley's voice during our weekly calls to the Florida office, and we wish him all the success and happiness in the world in whatever activities he decides to pursue . . . **Tommy "Wildfire" Rich** seems to be on the comeback trail: Tommy recently captured the Southeast Continental title from **The Flame**, and **Gordon Solie**, the voice of Southeast wrestling, reports that Tommy is "looking better than he has in years."

Bob Geigel was reelected National Wrestling Alliance president during the August 18-20 NWA convention in Las Vegas. The

election marks the beginning of Geigel's fifth term as president. In other official designations, **Shohei Baba** was elected First Vice President, **Lia Maivia** was voted Second Vice President, and **Victor Jovica** was named Coordinator of Special Events for the NWA.

Fans with access to cable television hookups can now watch AWA wrestling on ESPN, the all-sports cable television network. AWA wrestling is hosted by wrestling commentator and Minneapolis-St. Paul radio personality **Larry Nelson**. The show is 90 minutes, and airs each Tuesday beginning at 8 p.m. Eastern time—which means that ESPN is in direct competition with USA cable network's *Prime Time Wrestling*, a WWF show that runs from 8 p.m. to 10 p.m. every Tuesday. Which program will fans watch more? We'll check in with the TV ratings on these two shows in a future issue.

Gorgeous Jim Garvin is back in the AWA . . . **Exotic Adrian Street** has captured the Southeastern heavyweight title from **Austin Idol** . . . Former AWA World champion **Jumbo Tsuruta** underwent an operation on his right arm on August 5 in Tokyo. Doctors pronounced the surgery successful, and Tsuruta should be back in the ring after just a few weeks recuperation.

Tarrus Balba, a native of Outer Mongolia and a newcomer to the Mid-Southern area (he previously wrestled in Puerto Rico), succeeded in capturing the Mid-Southern heavyweight title from **Jerry Lawler** in his *very first match* with The King! . . . **Eric Embry** captured the WWC Puerto Rican championship from **The Super Medic** in Bayamon, Puerto Rico . . . There's a big family feud in the Southeast area as **Ron** and **Robert Fuller** have been squaring off against **Scott**, **Bob**, and **Steve Armstrong** in a lengthy series of brutal and bloody confrontations.

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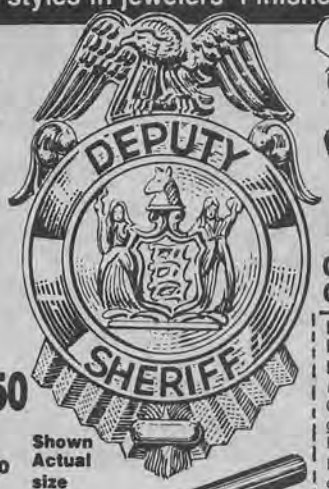

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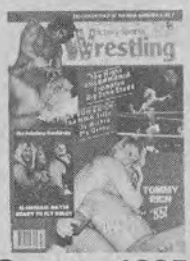

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STEAMBOAT

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Hesitantly, Steamboat's friend asked him when his eyes would heal. Steamboat shrugged almost imperceptibly and toyed with a speck of grayish lint on his robe. "I don't know, man," he said. "The doc wants me to keep the bandages on for the night, and see him at 10 tomorrow. He says the right cornea may have been dislocated by the cane. He's not too worried about my left eye. I'm worried about both of 'em."

Steamboat suddenly bared his teeth, conveying the attitude of a weeks-hungry shark on the prowl. He spoke in jarring, staccato sentences. "They're trying to maim me. This is how I make my living. Sadistic slobs. Think they can drive me out of the WWF. Nuts. I've outwrestled that clown every match. I'll kill him now. I'll kill him. I care about these eyes. I use 'em to see.

And listen, brother," Steamboat continued, "even with these bandages on I can see it quite clearly. The disgrace and humiliation of Muraco and Fuji, in living color. I *know* how to fight fire with fire."

In a crosstown sushi bar/bowling alley, Magnificent Muraco and Mr. Fuji were living it up. The ordinarily frugal Japanese manager, who had already

spent half the night's commission on free rounds of sake, entertained the pretty local femmes by balancing the notorious cane on the tops of his patent-leather soles for minutes on end. Leaving the women to his guiding light, Muraco relaxed at a secluded table and wearily massaged his pectoral veins. An easy, satiated smile never left his lips.

Steamboat immobilizes his opponent with an armbar (opposite page). Incredibly, the referee would not disqualify Muraco for jabbing Steamboat in the eyes with Fuji's cane (above). The Magnificent One lifts The Dragon from the turnbuckles and drops him to the mat (below). The next time Steamboat mounted the turnbuckles would be his last.

A pleasant-looking woman with frosted hair and white lipstick approached Muraco's table. "Hey, I really loved what you did to that sissy Hawahh-yunn tonight," she slurred, having obvious difficulty with the proper noun's pronunciation. "I hope you put his eyes out. I tried to talk to him once, and he just passed me by without saying a word. Whadda jerk!"

The smile faded a little from Muraco's lips, and, typically, he appeared to be lost in brooding. It was hard to tell what he was thinking about behind the black shades. Then, as if to himself, he growled, "A tough man. A superlative wrestler. Sure, but he doesn't know the *smell* of pain. He doesn't know the *meaning* of magnificence, does he now?"

Muraco casually dismissed the woman and nestled back inside himself. He must have been thinking about the wars ahead. Muraco and Steamboat. Whenever these two meet, they'll be out for blood and sacrifice. □

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RUDE-HAYNES

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universe—the sexually-charged biological forces that maintain life itself—and have harnessed it for my own personal use. *That* is the secret of my genuine sex appeal, and *that* is why the droves of women I must gently brush away like flies are attracted to me. Mine is a *natural* beauty, powered by the sexual energy of the universe. Believe me, I have given this subject a great deal of study, and any further explanation would go straight over any wrestling fan's head.

Another major facet of RAVISHING is obvious: wrestling skill. Most of the fans out there who boo me have no idea that I was once considered the greatest amateur wrestler in the world. Upon turning pro, I trained with Verne Gagne—now, the man's always been a dolt, the very antithesis of RAVISHING, but he taught me a lot about the science of wrestling and greatly eased the transition from the amateur ranks. Don't make the mistake of calling me a "rulebreaker"—I win my matches cleanly, with cunning and grace. My tactical brilliance devastates my opponents and the agility of my body in fluid form sets all the women smoldering. I win matches and dates at the same time.

Another open secret of the RAVISHING formula is dress. I may not be the best-dressed man in wrestling, but my beautiful robes accentuate the lithe contours of my luscious body. If I dressed as flashy as, say, a Ric Flair or a Jesse Ventura, it would only distract the women from the bionic orgone forces pulsating from my sleek physique. Yes, I'm a snappy dresser, by far the best in Florida, but I'm no peacock. Moderation here is the key.

Now compare my natural eroticism to the oafish pretty boy poses of one man in particular, Billy Jack Haynes. Here's the buffoon the

Rude tries to change the appearance of Haynes, the most recent winner of the "Wrestling's Sexiest Superstar" contest.

readers of *Wrestling Superstars* mysteriously selected as "Wrestling's Sexiest Superstar" (in the Winter 1984 issue). I laughed then, and I chuckle heartier now that I've seen him in the flesh. Here's a man (?) who spends thousands of dollars on hired models and disease-stricken barmaids to be seen with him in public. Any expert in the sport will attest to the fact that he's an oaf in the ring—I'm just afraid he'll start learning some holds from being continually caught in them. And Billy Jerk's wardrobe is perfect for a caribou-skinning in the Kiwanis parking lot. The man has no class, and he would never understand the bionic orgone roots of my sexual energy.

I hereby challenge all the intelligent fans out there to fire off angry letters and petitions supporting my claim to be wrestling's sexiest hunk. It's not RAVISHING enough to pound Billy Jerk into a bloody pulp in the ring and leave it at that. I want to save his life by showing up his stuffed ego for the empty-headed delusion it really is. RAVISHING RICK RUDE thanks you. □

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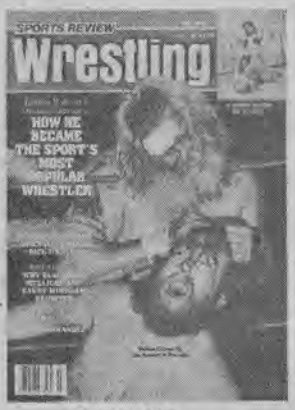

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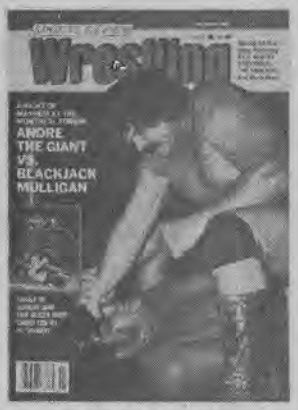

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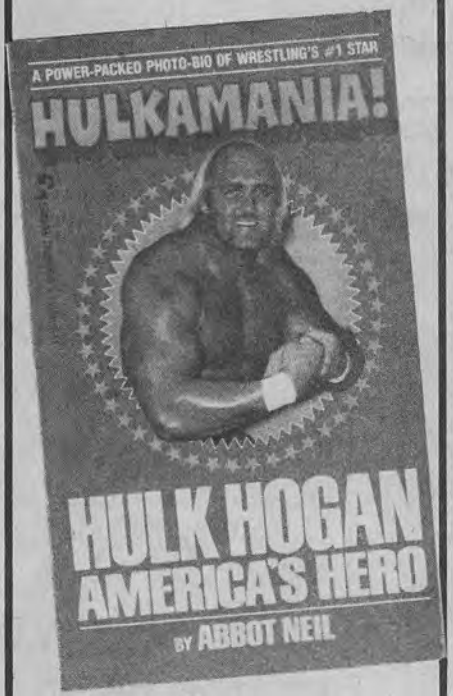

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KOLOFF-FLAIR

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Sam Houston is almost in tears as he and a WCW employee assist a beaten Flair back to the dressing room. With Ivan Koloff in Nikita's corner—and the ring—Flair knows that he's in for his toughest series of defenses as champion.

for the propaganda value—oh, they'd bring it back here to defend it, they can't make money otherwise; but think of what all those casual "new" wrestling fans, think of what the media are going to think when they see a trio of Commies presenting the 10 pounds of gold to Gorbachev.

"But what really worries me," Flair continued, "is that this kid Nikita's good now, and he's going to get better, and better, and better. I wrestled him for the first time at the Great American Bash in Charlotte. After 35 minutes with that guy, you knew that you've been in a match. When he gets you in a hold, it takes every ounce of strength in your muscles to counter it. At the 10-minute point in that match, my body was totally exhausted. It took every bit of experience I had to survive.

Since that July 6 match, Flair and Koloff have wrestled several times. At this point, Flair says, each match is getting a little easier because he is learning how to pace himself against his power. "But I could see that trend reversing—very easily," the champions says. "As he gains experience, he's going to get better and better. I know I've got to give him a lot of title matches now, because a couple of years up the line he'll get in the ring with me and he'll be more ready for me than I am for him. I've got to know him like a book, anticipate his every move, so that my knowledge of his tactics will counter his improvement in the ring.

"Like it or not, I've got to stop him now, while I can handle him. You'll being seeing a lot of Flair-Koloff matches. He's got to be stopped, and I'm the only man to do the job. Because *I'm Ric Flair!*"

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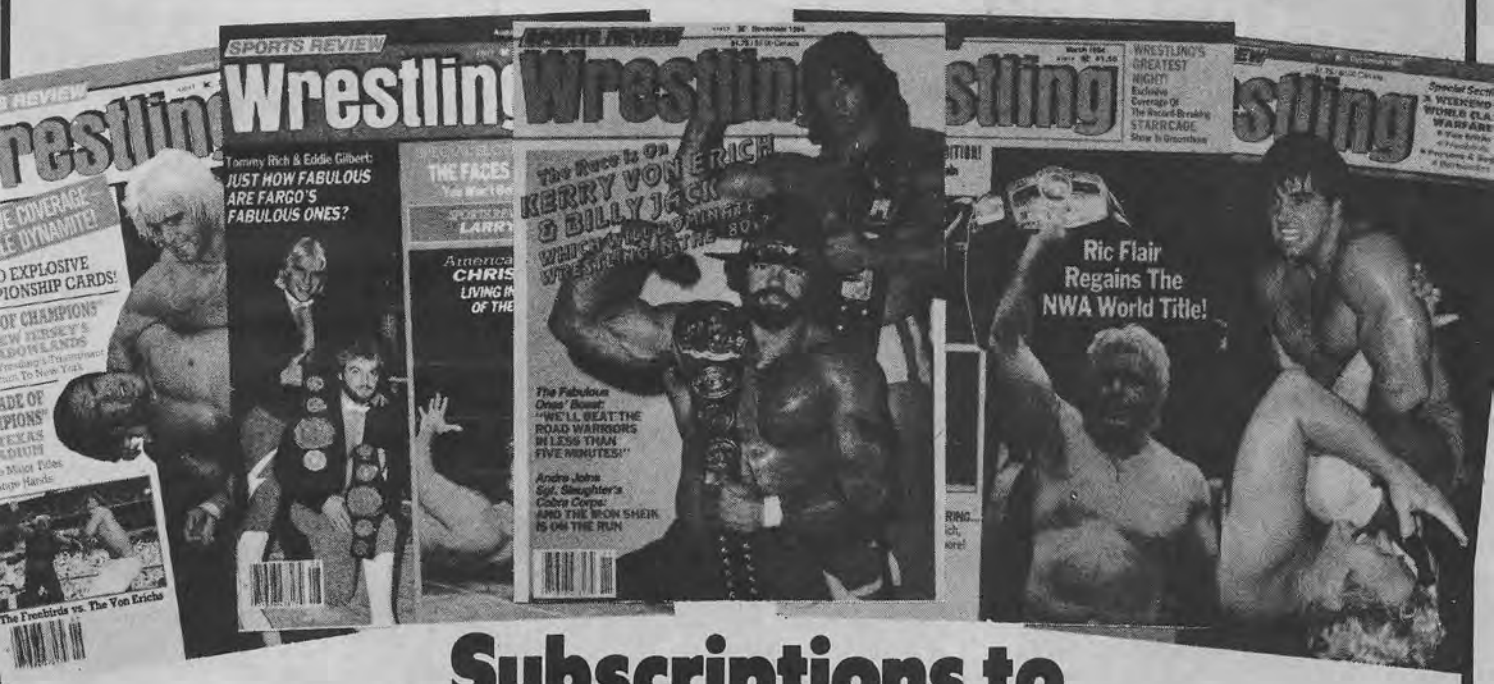

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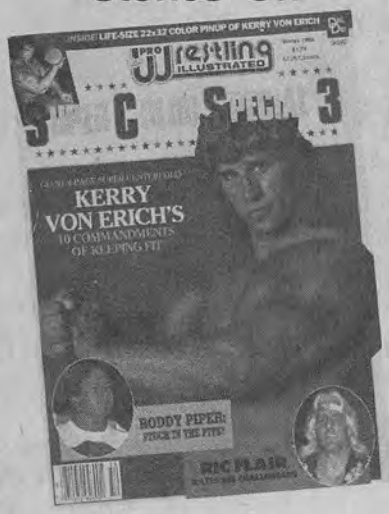

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mate, I've got so much unfinished business here in Texas that I should be occupied for quite some time."

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Q: "My question is for the Boogie Woogie Man, Jimmy Valiant: What do you think about Sunshine managing Kabuki as a fan favorite? Does this change your opinion of him or do you still hate him?"—Miguel Morton, Richmond, VA

A: **"I tell ya right now that I'd like to kick Kabuki where the sun don't shine. You damn tootin' I still hate that slimy Oriental cheat. Sunshine is going to get a rude awakening any day now. Hercules Hernandez did it to her, except he just left. Kabuki is such an evil dude that he'll go topside her head. I hate that man and I look forward to meeting him in the ring again."**

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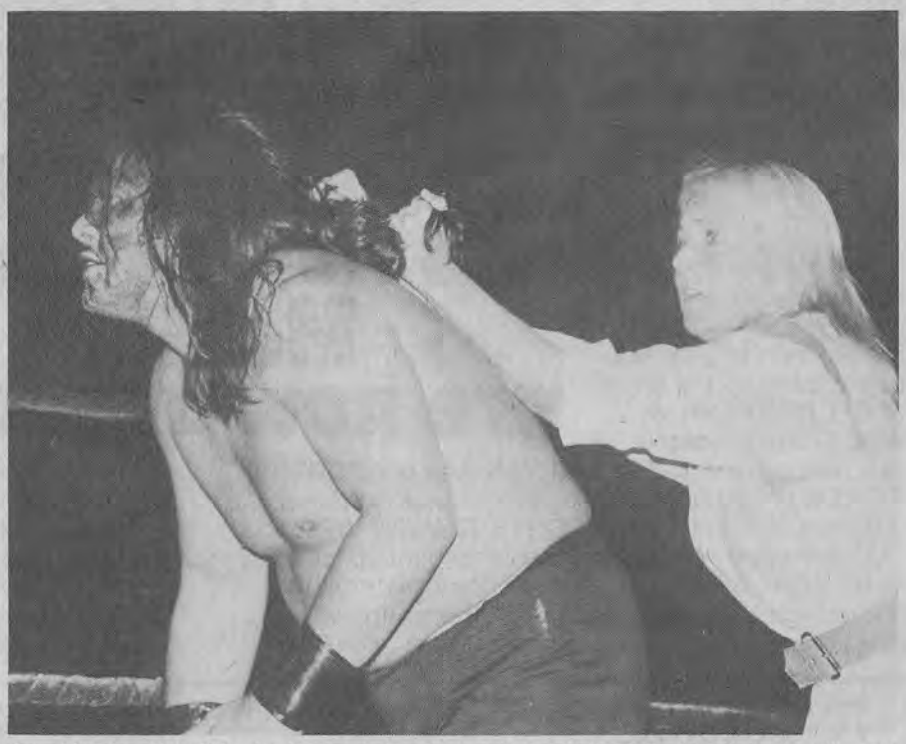
Q: "My question is for Terry Taylor: How come you haven't come back to the Mid-South to try to get your North American title belt back? I've only seen you wrestle for it once, on television, and Ted DiBiase came in the ring and interfered. You deserve that title back. What's the story?"—Jerry Grigar, Sealy, TX

A: **Terry Taylor answered, "The story is, Jerry, that I've decided to adapt a wait and see attitude about titles. Becoming North American champion was a tremendous learning experience, but what really taught me my lessons was losing the title to The Nightmare. At this point in my career, I don't want to be restricted by a title belt. I want the freedom and mobility to move around at will. And then I'm going after the big one, the NWA title. I've had Flair in a position to submit on several occasions, but every time he has managed to cheat his way out. With a little more experience I'll be able to keep him under control."** □



Sunshine has Kabuki under her control now, but Jimmy Valiant predicts that she will soon lose that control. Valiant still hates Kabuki.

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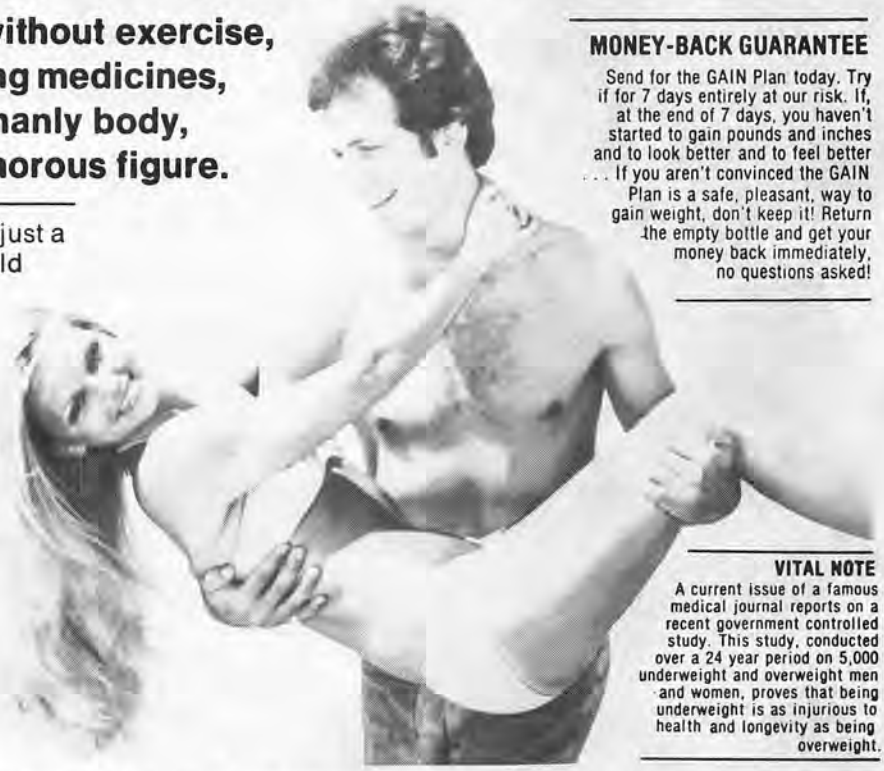

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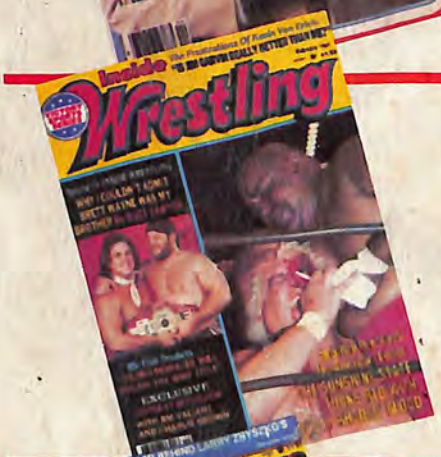

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